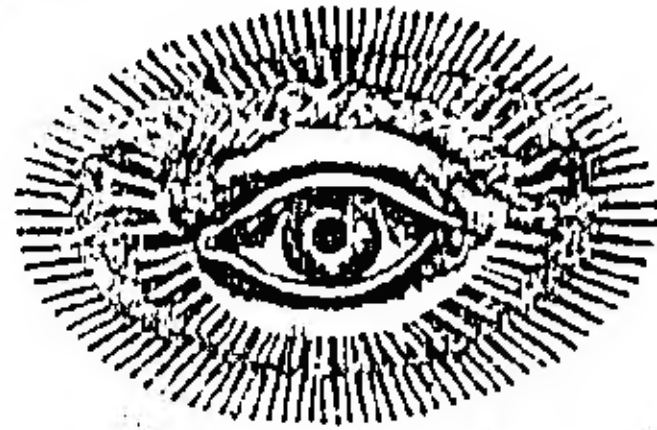


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GROWING CHINESE UNEASINESS IN HANKOW.

MORE SWATOW EXECUTIONS

It is indicated that a further communication by the Powers to the Nationalists at Hankow regarding the Nanking outrages is about to be made and that it will be sterner in tone and set a time-limit for compliance. It is understood that the five Ministers at Peking are now in complete agreement.

A decree has been issued by the Government at Hankow placing a complete embargo on the removal of silver from the Chinese banks there, in order to "counteract the combined endeavours of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and the foreign Imperialists to create an economic crisis." Reuter says it is believed that the Government plans to confiscate the silver.

There is much uneasiness at Hankow among the Chinese and large numbers are leaving. The famous Recreation Club has been occupied and looted by Southern troops, but it has now been cleared.

From Changsha it is reported that wealthy civilians are being executed by the military leaders, and at Hangchow the Peasants' Union is out of hand and has looted a Roman Catholic Mission.

The anti-red raids at Swatow are continuing and there have been a number of executions.

London, April 18. Reuter understands that the five Ministers at Peking are in complete agreement now. It is reported that the respective Governments consider Mr. Chen's replies to their identical Notes as quite satisfactory. There is no answer to the charges in the Notes, and the reply is calculated to cause discord among the Powers.

It is now considered probable that a further communication, presumably a joint one, will be made to Mr. Chen with the object of eliciting a specific answer to the points in the first Note. It is considered that this new Note will be of a more vigorous tone, and might possibly include a time limit for compliance.—Reuter.

Mr. Chen Overdoes It.

London, April 18. The Peking Ministers of the five Powers who sent the identical Notes to the Cantonese Nationalist Government regarding the Nanking outrages, have had under consideration the replies received from Mr. Chen, the Cantonese Foreign Minister.

It is understood that the Ministers have unanimously decided to send identical recommendations to their respective Governments.

The general view taken by the British press of Mr. Chen's reply is that it is an unsatisfactory and equivocal document, which fails to meet the demands set forth in the original communications from the Powers. It is pointed out that Mr. Chen in a palpable effort to use the occasion for propaganda purposes has notably over-reached himself in his references to the "Anglo-American bombardment of Nanking," entirely ignoring the fact that the bombardment by warships, while causing only three Chinese casualties, alone enabled the party of foreign men, women and children who were at that time under the fire of the Cantonese soldiery to escape with their lives.—British Wireless.

HANKOW UNEASINESS.

Recreation Club Looted.

Hankow, April 18. The air of uneasiness amongst the civil population is increasing daily, and a large number of the wealthier merchants are leaving as rapidly as circumstances permit.

The Japanese are further strengthening their Concession defences and to-day a number of field guns were landed.

Meanwhile H.M.S. Vindictive and H.M.S. Carlisle have been ordered to Hankow.

The Southern Government have just issued a decree to the effect that the only banknotes which are legal currency in Hankow are notes of the Bank of China, Bank of Communications, and the Central Bank. The tael rate has been fixed at 71.

The Recreation Club, which was occupied and looted by Southern troops yesterday, has now been cleared.—Naval Wireless.

THREAT TO HANKOW BANKS.

Extremists' Silver Embargo.

Hankow, April 18. On the ground that they must "counteract the combined endeavours of Chiang Kai-shek and the foreign Imperialists to create an economic crisis by the removal of silver from Hankow," the Nationalist Government to-day issued an order prohibiting the Chinese banks from redeeming their own notes by payment of silver, and declaring a total embargo on silver.

Soldiers and pickets have been posted outside the Chinese banks, to prevent the removal of silver from the vaults.

It is believed that the Nationalist Government plans to confiscate the total silver deposits from all the banks in Hankow.

The foreign banks are still closed owing to the strike of employees.—Reuter.

ANTI-CHIANG GENERAL.

Expected to Leave Wuhu.

Wuhu, April 18. General Ching Chien has been ordered and the situation is considerably improved.

As far as can be ascertained General Ching Chien is very anti-Chiang Kai-shek and he is expected to leave for Kiukiang shortly.—Naval Wireless.

EXECUTIONS AT CHANGSHA.

Fate of Wealthy Chinese.

Changsha, April 18. Some time ago it was reported that the military chiefs of the troops stationed at Changsha were executing wealthy members of the civil population and seizing their properties. The practice has been resumed recently and many wealthy Chinese gentlemen have been executed.

The troops at present at Changsha form part of the 4th and 10th Armies.—Naval Wireless.

R.C. Mission Looted.

Hwangchow, April 18. The Peasants' Union is getting out of hand and the Roman Catholic Mission was completely looted by them to-day. About 10,000 troops of the Eighth Army are at Oncheng.—Naval Wireless.

ENTIRE EVACUATION.

Commercial Community Leave Nanking.

Nanking, April 18. A lull in the cross river fighting between Pukow and Nanking occurred to-day, but for a distance of seven miles above Nanking, passing ships are still subjected to considerable firing from both banks of the river. (Continued on Page 12.)

"RED" ROUND-UP.

WHAT HAPPENED IN CHAPEL.

SECRETLY PLANNED COUP.

The first shot in the struggle between the Kuomintang and the Communists for mastery in Shanghai was fired at five o'clock on Tuesday morning last, says the N. C. Daily News.

Simultaneously smaller bands of Kuomintang labourers suddenly fell upon labour and Communist headquarters in various parts of Chapel and Nantao, seized the buildings wherever possible and when they met with obstacles, there was firing and shooting which early morning risers heard in all parts of Shanghai.

The struggle between the Kuomintang and Communist Labour Unions began to become intense immediately upon the arrival of General Chiang Kai-shek in Shanghai. It was at that time known that the General Labour Union planned to perpetrate outrages similar to those in Nanking for the purpose of leaving no place in Kiukiang for General Chiang to make his headquarters. The Kuomintang labourers complained bitterly of the attitude of the General Labour Union, which had arrogated to itself powers of government, had established its own Political Bureau and its own Commune in Chapel and Nantao, which kidnapped and assassinated opponents and threw the fear of their might, secret organization in the hearts of hard-working honest labourers who wanted to earn their rice bowl in peace.

Coup d'Etat in View.

The authorities are reported to have known that the General Labour Union was planning a coup d'Etat here, seeking to overthrow the Southern army in a conflict with the foreign troops, but still, not having completely broken with Hankow, they did not send their soldiers into Chapel in sufficient numbers to suppress this powerful, well-financed subversive organization. During the past week, however, steps have been taken to indicate to the General Labour Union that it was not wanted in this district. Its political organs were destroyed, its telegrams and letters were intercepted and censored, its lower leaders were arrested. Finally, it became evident that there could be no further delay as a mass meeting had been called for yesterday (Tuesday) for the purpose of welcoming Mr. Wang Ching-wei who is actually in Hankow at the present time. It was suspected that the Communists planned to utilize this occasion to throw themselves against the barricades and to involve General Chiang Kai-shek in further difficulties with the Powers. The local Kuomintang authorities thereupon determined that the time had come for the complete suppression of the Communists.

Kuomintang Labour Auxiliaries.

More than 1,000 armed Kuomintang labourers, wearing blue denim labourers' uniforms with white arm bands, on which in a circle appeared the Chinese character for labour, feverishly worked through the night organizing secret parties to appear at dawn as though from nowhere, to seize and occupy the premises of the General Labour Union in the Huohow Guild in Chapel, to kidnap Wang Shao-hua, the military Communist leader of Shanghai, and to announce to the Chinese people that the labourers of Shanghai are not associated with Communism.

A fight was anticipated. All the authorities concerned, Chinese and foreign, after midnight, were secretly made cognizant of the events which were to take place in the morning. The foreigners closed the barricades which were not opened until 10 a.m. The soldiers, under General Pei Chung-hai, loyal Kuomintang troops who are antagonistic to the Communist opponents of their party and general, were sent to critical places in Chapel and Nantao to maintain order and suppress rioting.

Communists' Fierce Resistance.

Promptly at five, the fight started. The armed Communists aroused, fired back. Several have been killed, including two soldiers of General Pei's army and perhaps as many as 50 are reported wounded. The noise of the battle was most conspicuous in Nantao, bordering (Continued on Page 9.)

HELD PRISONER AT HANKOW?

EUGENE CHEN UNABLE TO LEAVE.

SOONG JUST MANAGES.

T. V. Soong had some trouble in getting away from Hankow recently, as the Communist Party did not wish him to leave. His steamer was alongside the San Peh hulk and Labour Union pickets came down and removed the engineers.

Soong sent 20 armed police to obtain the release of the engineers, but the L. U. made excuse that the engineers had not been paid the correct scale of wages for the previous two months and so they were to be obtained.

Then Soong sent for Tan Yen-kai, who himself went to the L. U. and went guarantee for the crew's wages. Tan Yen-kai at that time was chairman of the Central Committee but has since been dismissed.

The engineers returned to the steamer but then a number of Labour pickets tried to rush the ship and it was not till T. V. Soong gave his guards the order to shoot that they desisted and the ship got away. The guards did not actually have to shoot as the threat of it was sufficient.

A Hankow correspondent of the North-China Daily News, reporting the above, adds: Eugene Chen and Tan Yen-kai want to get away to Shanghai, but they cannot as the Communist Party will not let them. They are practically prisoners.

THEFTS FROM MOTOR CARS.

THIEF CAUGHT AT STAR FERRY.

Thefts of motor accessories from cars left at the Star Ferry stand in Kowloon have occurred with such frequency of late that a letter of complaint was sent by the Hongkong Automobile Association to the Police Authorities, with the result that a keener watch was kept.

A man dressed in overalls was recently seen crouching between two cars. When accosted and arrested it was found that the Chinese had a spanner in his pockets. Enquiries were made and in a search of the man's house a number of nuts and bolts were found. When questioned as regards the theft of a horn from Mr. K. K. Stople's car on April 6, the man admitted stealing the article.

As a sequel, the man was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with stealing a motor horn.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the larceny charge and was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

SCOTLAND MARU REFLOATED.

CARGO STILL BEING DISCHARGED.

The Scotland Maru was refloated yesterday, and berthed at a buoy in the inner harbour at 7 o'clock this morning.

The work of discharging cargo is continuing, and when this is completed the freighter will be docked at Kowloon for repairs.

JAPANESE CABINET.

BARON TANAKA SUMMONED.

Tokyo, April 19. Baron Gichi Tanaka, leader of the Seiyukai, has been summoned to the palace. It is believed he will be asked to form a Cabinet.—Reuter.

BANK OF TAIWAN.

FORMOSA OFFICES TO OPEN.

Tokyo, April 19. Reversing yesterday's decision, the directors of the Bank of Taiwan have decided to keep open their headquarters and branches in Formosa.—Reuter.

UNIQUE STATUS.

SHANGHAI'S RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES.

"CANNOT BE DESTROYED."

During the course of his review of the past year at the annual meeting of ratepayers in Shanghai, Mr. S. Fessenden, the Chairman of the Municipal Council, referred to the Council's policy in bearing the great responsibility placed upon it of defending and protecting the International Settlement against the forces and dangers which assail it during these critical times in China.

He said:—My colleagues on the Council have accorded me their unanimous support in adopting and maintaining in so far as it lies in our power, the policy or principle that the Council has not only the moral but also the unquestionable legal right to defend by force if necessary the political and territorial integrity of the Settlement against military or mob aggression on the part of any political or military party or faction. (Applause.)

Unique Status.

The source of this legal right lies in the unique political status of Shanghai as a municipality, which has no exact counterpart in the whole world.

As a rule municipalities are created by and derive their powers from the supreme legislative assembly of the state or country in which they exist.

This is not true of Shanghai as must be obvious to anyone having even the most superficial knowledge of our local system of government.

Shanghai as a municipality was not created by and does not derive its powers of government from the legislative assembly of any single state or country nor from the mandate of any single sovereign power. It was created by and derives its powers from an agreement made between the so-called "Foreign Powers" on the one part and the Chinese Government on the other part.

This agreement which for the want of a better name is known as the "Land Regulations" has all the sanctity of a treaty, being as it is a solemn and inviolable compact between sovereign nations.

In substance and effect, although not in form, it is a treaty of the highest class, being as it is not merely a bilateral agreement between two sovereign powers but an agreement to which many sovereign powers are parties.

Right to Defend.

An agreement of this character cannot be abrogated, modified or amended by one party acting independently of all the other parties. And one party by withdrawing from such an agreement, in breach of it, cannot nullify the rights which the other parties have acquired under it.

Under the Land Regulations, the citizens and subjects of the Powers who are parties to those Regulations have acquired the right not only to reside and carry on business within the Settlement but to maintain a municipal government over that area for which purpose the Regulations expressly provide the necessary governmental machinery.

These rights and privileges cannot arbitrarily be destroyed by the mandate of any Chinese political faction or party which happens to be temporarily in the ascendancy.

Being treaty rights, or their equivalent, the foreign residents of Shanghai have every right to oppose with force any attempt to destroy those rights by force.

As a matter, therefore, not only of policy but of right the Council has stoutly maintained and defended its position that the municipality of Shanghai shall not be overwhelmed and destroyed by force from within or without and that its integrity politically and territorially must and shall be preserved in status quo until such time as changed by orderly and peaceful negotiation between the Chinese Government and the foreign Powers concerned. (Applause.)

And I venture to express the belief that by an overwhelming majority the intelligent and responsible public opinion of (Continued on Page 9.)

BRITISH PLANES AT SHANGHAI.

SIX LANDED FROM THE ARGUS.

HOUSED AT RACE COURSE.

Yet another historical incident in connexion with the Shanghai Defence Forces has to be recorded. Last Thursday afternoon, the grass plots immediately in front of Nanking Road jetty accommodated six British aeroplanes. Huge crowds of foreigners and natives watched with interest the landing from lighters of this latest unit of protection of foreigners' lives and interests in this great metropolis of the East.

The first two aeroplanes were landed by men of the Royal Air Force at 3 o'clock and the last two were safely propelled alongside their fellows at 6 o'clock. A company from the 1st Battalion of the Green Howards then fell in on the Bund and were detailed to guard the planes until after the curfew hour when men from this regiment accompanied by Air Force mechanics propelled the machines along Nanking Road to their newly built sheds on the Race Course.

These six aeroplanes were landed from H.M.S. Argus now lying in the Huangpu, and their headquarters for the present will be at the Race Course, where sheds and workshops have been built.

CHECK ON TRADES UNIONS.

OBJECTS OF GOVERNMENT BILL.

London, April 18. The most important measure which will come before Parliament after Easter will be government's Trade Union Bill.

It is probable says the Times, that the vote on the second reading of the Bill will take place on May 4, the anniversary of the beginning of last year's general strike, which was directly responsible for the production of the Bill. After the second reading, it is clear there will be a large number of amendments. A determined effort will be made so as to amend the wording of the Bill that it will apply both to strikes and lockouts, and there is little doubt, adds the Times, that the Government will be prepared to accept amendments on these lines.

In a letter addressed to Mr. John Buchan, the Conservative candidate in the by-election for the Scottish Universities, Mr. Baldwin declares, "The campaign of misrepresentation of the Bill by political opponents has already begun. The Bill aims at the restoration to the individual trades unionist of freedom from victimisation, intimidation and unjustifiable pressure to contribute to political funds, with the objects of which he may be out of sympathy. The Bill is designed to make clear beyond all possibility of doubt the illegality of such an attempt as a general strike to coerce the Government and nation. It does not, as alleged, render illegal a strike which is not designed or calculated to coerce the Government or intimidate the community."—British Wireless.

INDIANS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

AGENTS OF THE RAJ APPOINTED.

Bombay, April 18. It is understood that Mr. Srinivasa Sastri, the Indian statesman, has accepted the appointment as agent for the Government of India in South Africa.

This appointment is consequent on the recent Indo-South African agreement with regard to Indians in South Africa.—Reuter.

BIG LIVERPOOL BLAZE.

20,000 BALES OF COTTON BURNED.

London, April 18. Twenty thousand bales of cotton were burnt in a fire which destroyed a cotton warehouse at Liverpool.—Reuter.

HONAN BATTLES.

FENGTIEN TROOPS TRY AGAIN.

CIVILIANS SUFFER MOST.

Writing from Kaifeng, Honan, on March 16, a correspondent of the North-China Daily News says:

For nearly a week the sound of heavy artillery fire to the south and west of us has been heard night and day. Sometimes nearer sometimes farther, but as these words are being written, only three miles away. The flash and smoke of the explosions can be seen, the whine of the heavy shells can be heard, the rattle of machine gun fire is persistent, while the bursting of shrapnel shakes the windows and the house. It is drawing nearer, and the Fengtien men who are on the defensive, in this present attack by Honan troops under Gen. Ma Chi-ti, are weakening and beginning to flee. Heavy field pieces with horses whipped to full gallop have just swung by the house, retreating from the front, the drivers going blindly they know not where, but fear stricken and thinking only of safety.

No Mercy for Losers.

It seems a rout, and the Fengtien command has gone to pieces. Groups and individual soldiers wander about the fields and roads, leaderless, and not knowing where to go or what to do, but knowing that death awaits them should they fall into the hands of the oncoming victorious Honanese. For the Fengtienites are strangers in a strange land, and no mercy will be shown them when powerless.

Carts loaded with camp equipment and provisions piled up in any old way, have gone and come, heading sometimes for the Yellow River, hoping to get into Shantung. Oftentimes in their haste the accompanying soldiers have tossed overboard their impediments, and the road has been strewn with bags of flour and odds and ends. There are many horsemen, and it is pathetic to see their patient tired out animals.

Misery of Civilians.

In the distance, where the engagement is fiercest, the smoke and flames of burning farmhouses can be seen. The inmates have no doubt fled from there hours since, and taken refuge inside the city, for the south suburb and the streets inside the South Gate have been packed with refugees all day. Young and old of all kinds camped by the side of the streets, with their bedding and articles about them. Most of them are women and children.

When this last engagement commenced at five o'clock this evening the women and children outside the gates ran helter skelter to get inside before the gates should close. Women with babies and bedding in their arms, breathless and stumbling along in their haste. Some of the children crying as they ran along, but most of them laughing, and taking it as great fun to be racing with their elders. Several had the forethought to provide themselves with bread, and carried their rolls tied up in a cloth.

All Night Battle.

Writing the following day, the correspondent says: The battle continued throughout the night until three o'clock this morning, when in the distance a "bugle" was heard sounding the "cease fire" and "retreat," and very shortly after the heavy field pieces came tearing by the house heading for the east. Desultory firing was kept up until 10 o'clock this morning, when the Generals Ma Chi-ti and Liu Pei-hsu established their headquarters at the Arsenal, and their vanguard arrived at the South Gate. All the police and even the city guard of Yiehun troops have been disarmed. Many Fengtien soldiers who did not get away have been killed, and we hear ghastly stories of the cruelty of the victors, though this is not an unusual thing in this province.

Fengtien Returns to Attack.

Another dramatic change has taken place in the situation, and whereas three days ago the Fengtien troops occupied Kaifeng and were driven out by the Honan troops of Gen. Chin Yun-ao, the (Continued on Page 8.)



Two sets of twins were born in Buffalo on one day, the mothers, Mrs. William T. Wright and Mrs. Emile L. Frigon, being sisters. Mrs. Wright and her daughters are shown in the upper photo, Mrs. Frigon with son and daughter below.



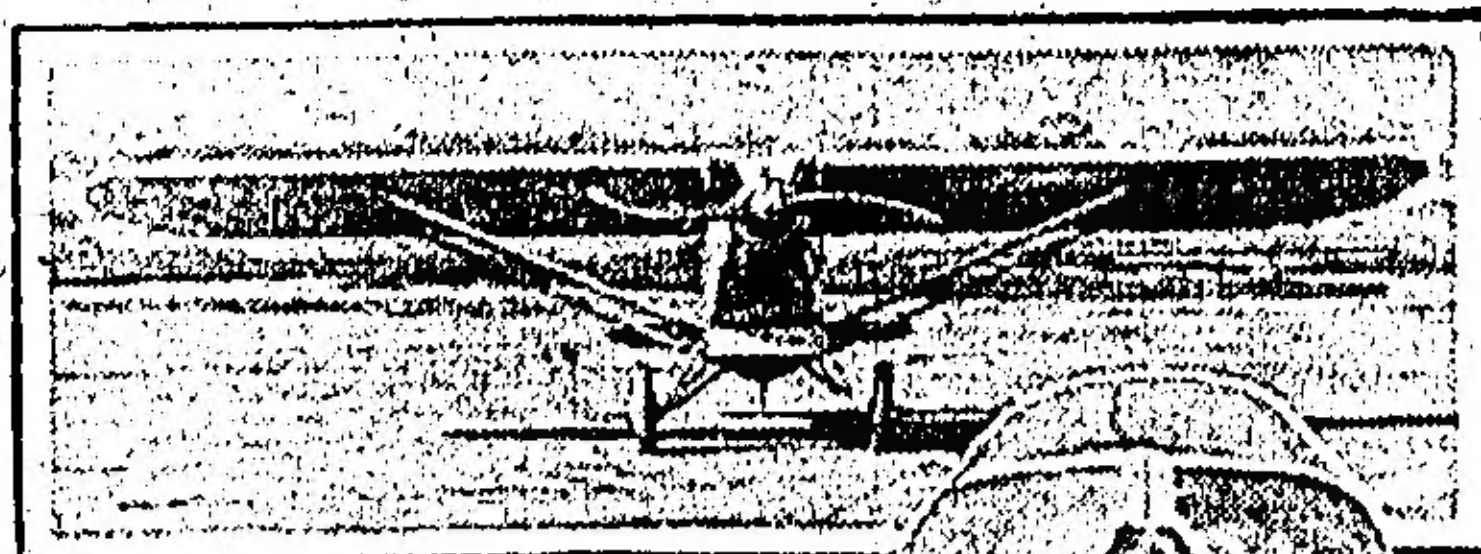
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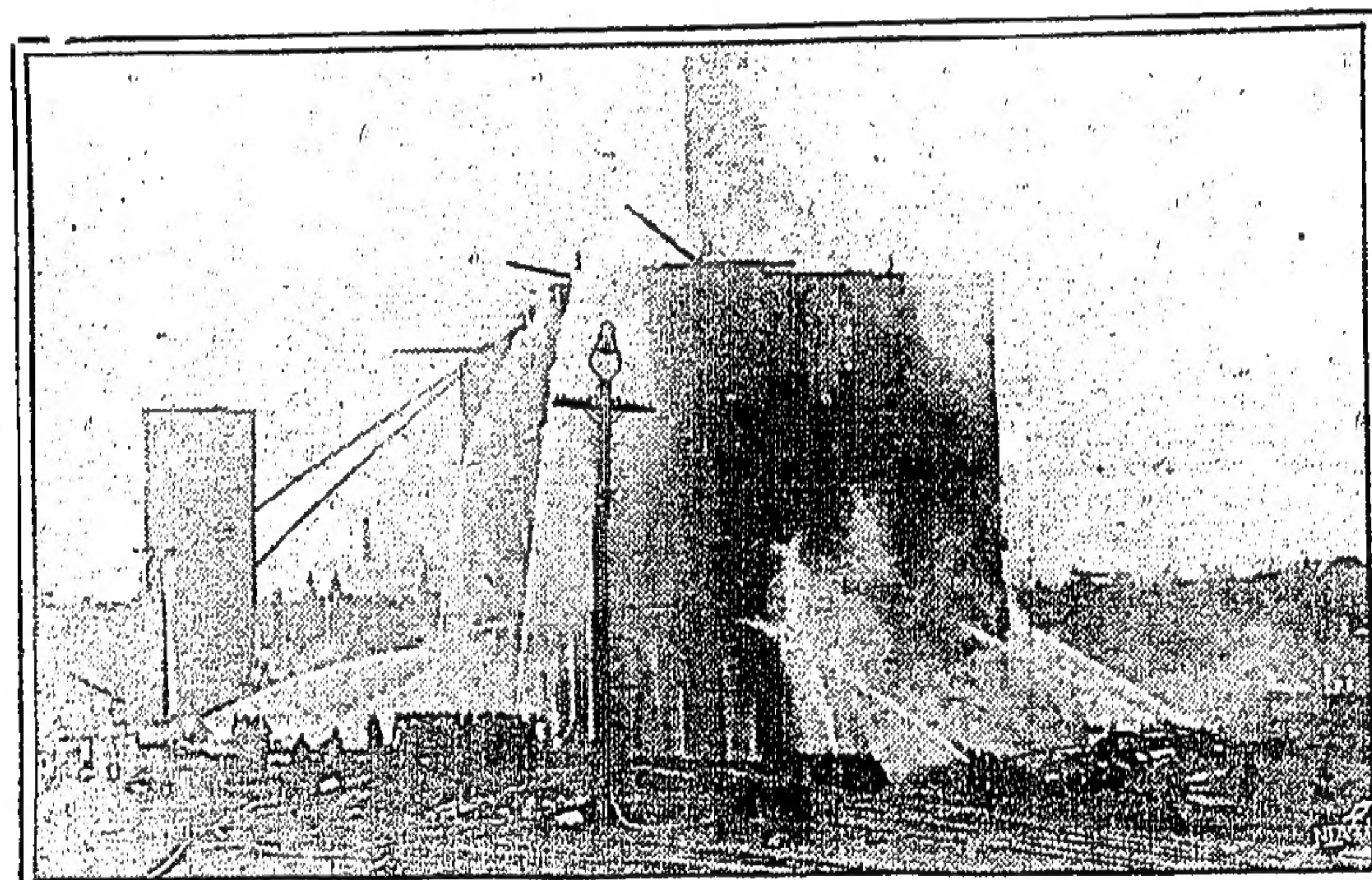
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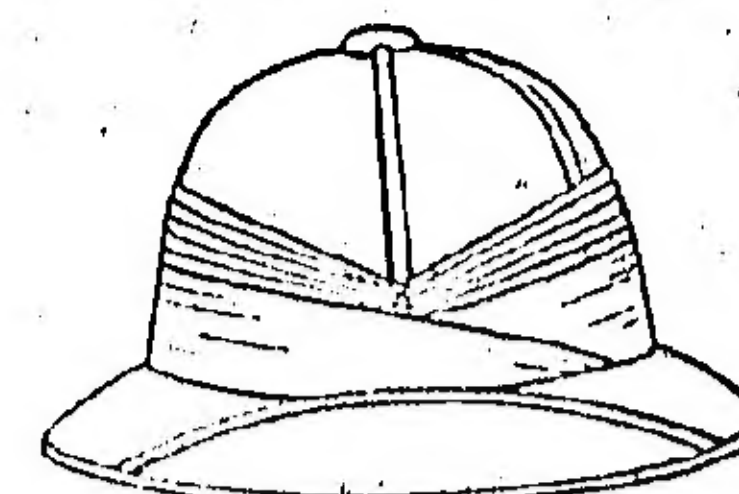


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4516 {Who.
Sunny.

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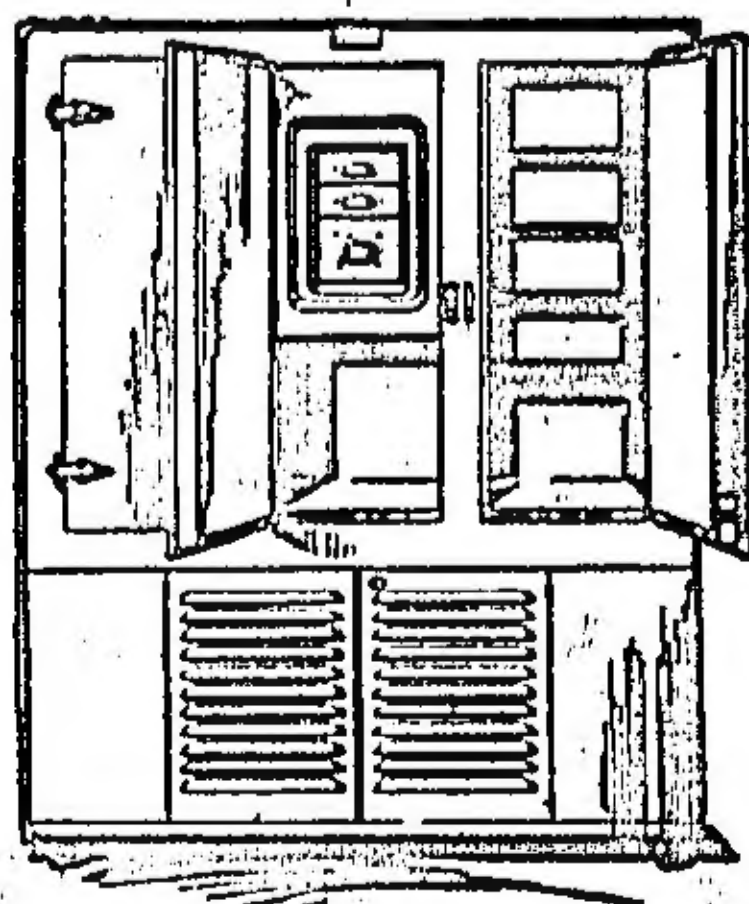
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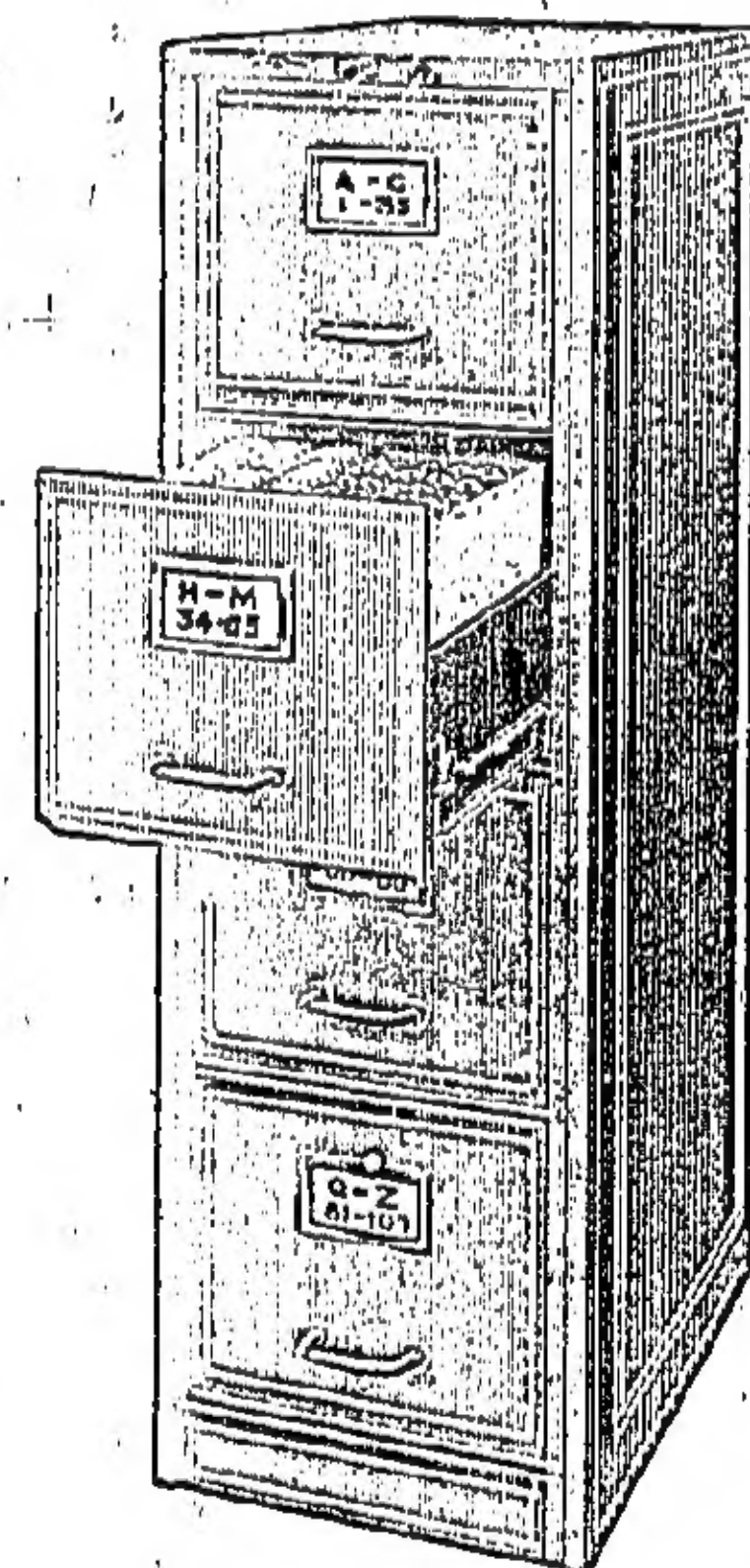
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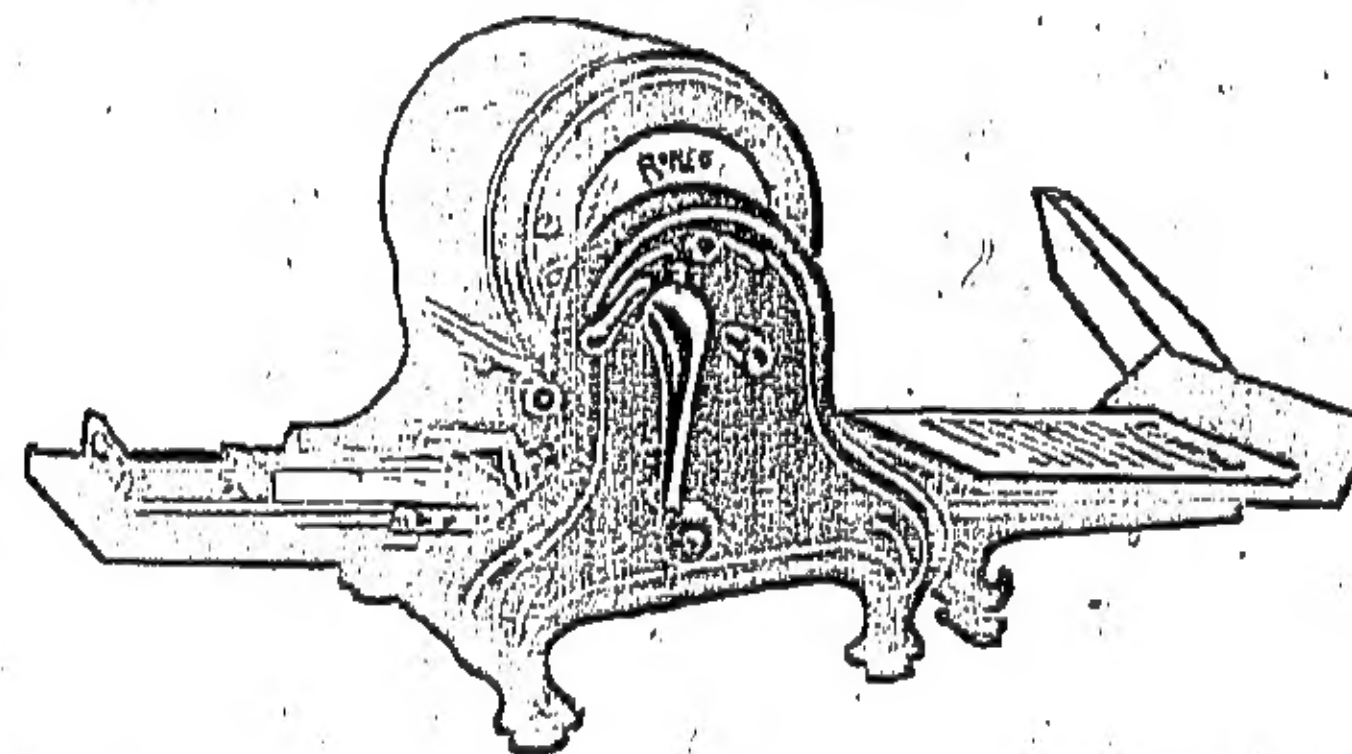
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Chartered Bank, \$21 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$32 n.
Mercantile C., \$13 1/2 n.
P. and O., \$9 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$68 b.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$660 n.
China Underwriters, \$80 n.
North China, Tls. 143 b.
Union Ins., \$286 n.
Yantai Ins., \$38 n.

Fire Ins.

China Firs., \$205 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$600 b.

Shipping

Douglases, \$31 n.
Steamboats, \$20 n.
Tugs, \$1.10 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Prof.) \$30 n.
Shell Trans., 95/- n.
Star Ferries, \$52 n.
Waterboats, \$142 b.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$18 n.

Malabons, \$31 n.

Mining.

Bonguets, \$170 b.

Kallans, 38/- n.

Langkats, Tls. 21 n.

S'hai Exploration, Tls. 4 n.

Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.

Raubs, \$4 n.

Tronohs, 21/- n.

Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$98 n.

Whampoa Docks, \$38 n.

Hongkows, Tls. 150 n.

New Engineerings, Tls. 5 1/2 n.

Shanghai Docks Tls. 100 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$6.90 n.

H.K. Lands, \$50 1/2 b.

Realty, \$6 n.

Territorials, \$1 1/2 n.

Humphreys, \$12 1/2 n.

Princes Bldgs, \$89 n.

Rural Lands, \$1 1/2 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 7 1/2 b.

Oriental, Tls. 2 1/2 n.

S'hai Cottons, Tls. 54 n.

Buses, Trams.

China Buses, Tls. 9 1/2 n.

Tramways, \$20 n.

Peak Trams, (old) \$15 b.

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Amusements, \$17 1/2 b.

Canton Ice, \$5 n.

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China Lights, \$12 n.

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Ropes (Old) \$10 n.

Lane Crawfords, \$7 n.

Mackintosh, \$19 1/2 n.

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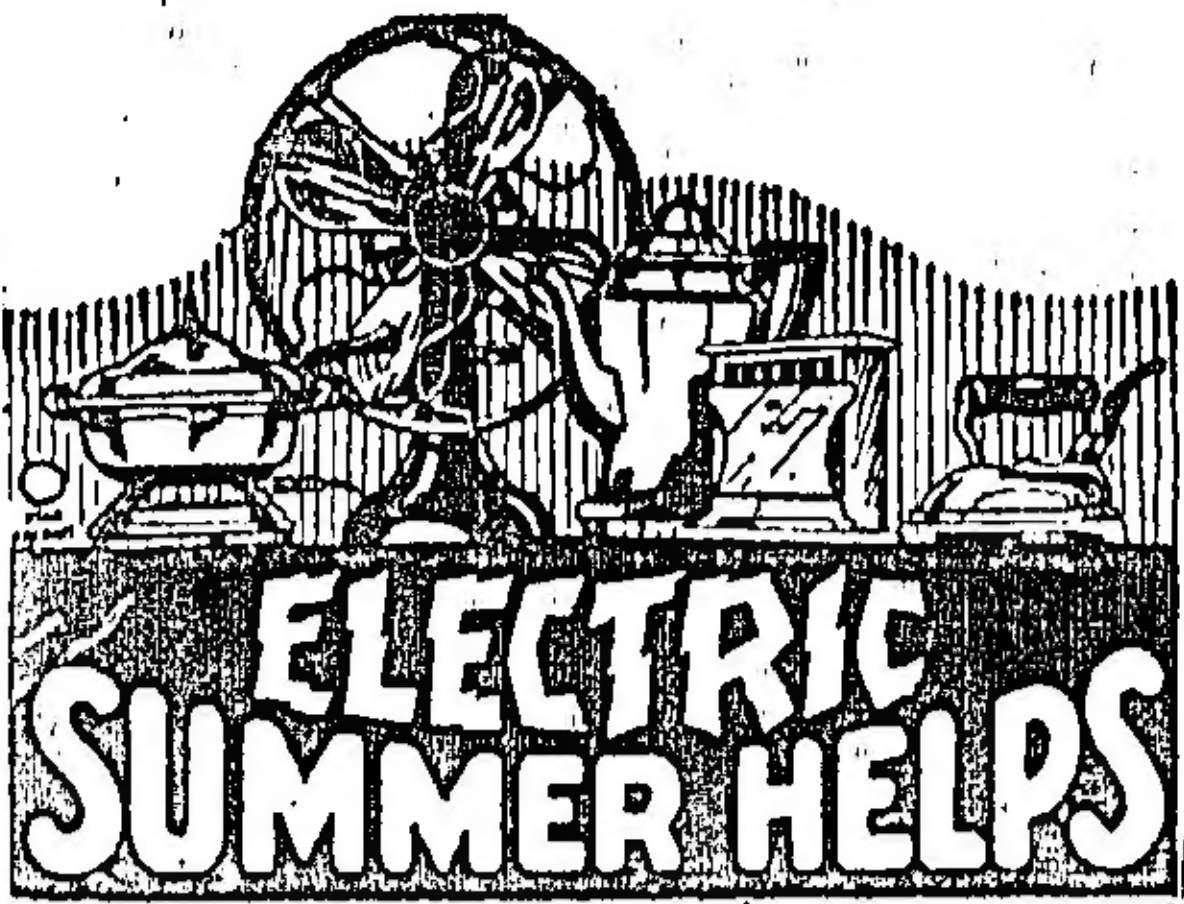
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CHINA CRISIS.

SIR FRANCIS AGLEN'S
VIEWS.

London, April 18.

Undoubtedly all sections of the community are united in desiring to abolish the privileged position of the foreigner, declared Sir Francis Aglen who was interviewed by Reuter on his return from Peking. Such a national feeling cannot be ignored, it has simply got to be recognised.

He added that recent reports, however, indicate that a considerable section of the Chinese people is beginning to realise that the policy hitherto pursued under Russian direction is fraught with danger to the country.

It is sincerely hoped that the present movement will bring into being a really stable government as the present civil strife is doing untold harm.

All sensible Chinese are well aware of that fact and until there is a responsible authority with which the foreign Powers can negotiate, there is no hope for the commercial prosperity of the country.

Stronger Note Urged.

The Daily Telegraph, in a leader on the subject of Eugene Chen's Note, wherein it speaks of the calculated insult to the intelligence of the Powers, says that the foreign Ministers at Peking are agreed that the situation requires the despatch of a much stronger statement of the Powers' requirements and intentions, and this would seem to involve the fixing of a time limit for the giving of satisfaction to the demands.

Simultaneously the naval authorities along the Yangtze River have been instructed to prepare a scheme to enforce the penalties in the event of satisfaction being again refused.

It adds that what is not in doubt is the intention of Britain to secure the necessary redress—if possible in co-operation with others, if not by taking her own measures.—Reuter.

Missionaries Driven Out.

Shanghai, April 18.

The present Easter tide will long be remembered for the reason that more than eighty per cent of the six thousand Protestant missionaries in China at the beginning of the year have now departed. Those remaining are mostly in the Treaty ports. The exact number of Catholic missionaries who still remain has not been determined but it is known that they have been driven out in large numbers by the Communists.—Reuter.

U. S. Destroyer Hit by Rifle Fire.

Shanghai, April 18.

A wireless message from Nanking states that three four-inch guns on Lion Hill, Nanking, are bombarding Pukow. The United States destroyer Ford was hit by rifle fire from Nanking.

The Chinese gunboat Chutai, one of the 750 tons class, and flying the Rear-Admiral's flag, was hit by a six inch shell from the north bank of the river near Chinkiang. The shell struck the hull below the bridge, passing right through without bursting and making a hole three feet in diameter. The gunboat has been beached.—Reuter.

BANK OF TAIWAN.

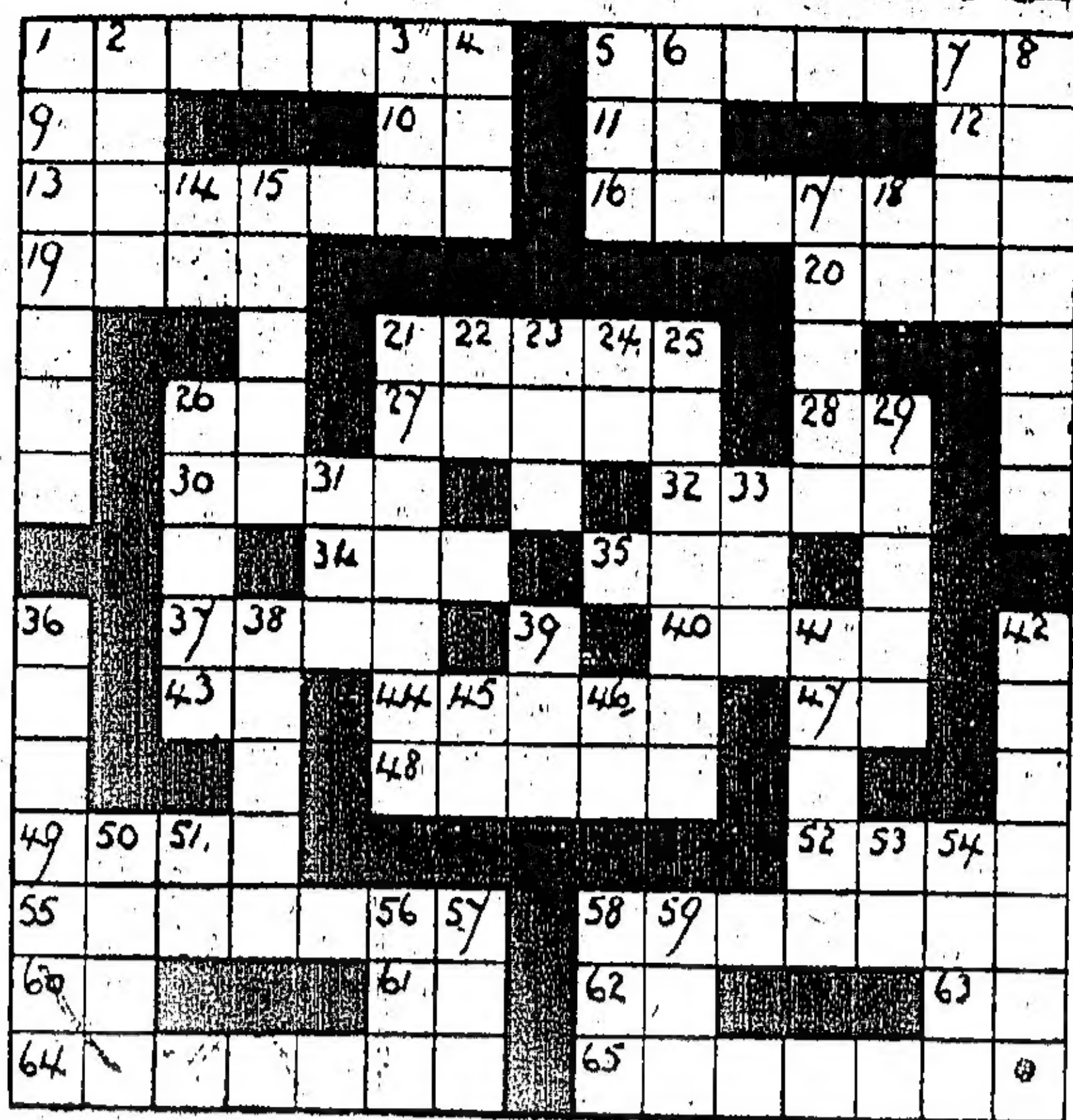
BANK OF JAPAN TO THE RESCUE.

Tokyo, April 18.

The Rengo learns from a reliable source that the Bank of Japan is sending from twenty to thirty million yen in convertible notes to Formosa to-morrow for the purpose of aiding the Bank of Taiwan.

It also learns on the highest authority that the headquarters and remaining branches of the Bank of Taiwan are also suspending to-morrow.—Reuter.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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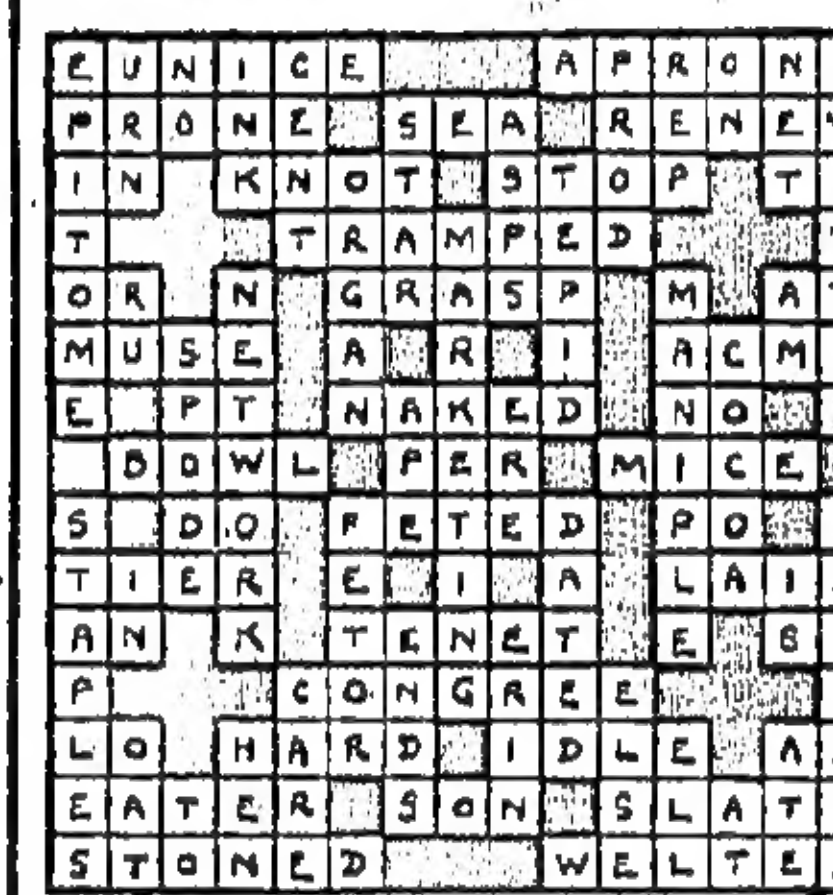
- 1 Chance.
- 5 Skull.
- 9 Four (Roman).
- 10 Pertaining to King Edward.
- 11 Signifies first class.
- 12 River in Italy.
- 13 A planet.
- 16 Eastern wind.
- 19 Pull along.
- 20 A girl's name.
- 21 Bitter.
- 26 Conjunction.
- 27 Upstart.
- 28 Expressing equality.
- 30 A valley.
- 32 A small opening.
- 34 Sign of assent.
- 35 Extremity of foot.
- 37 Small whirlpool.
- 40 To catch.
- 43 To that degree.
- 44 To run away.
- 47 That is.
- 48 Move with measured steps.
- 49 A class of bird.
- 52 To cease to possess.
- 55 Famous pantomime character.
- 58 Immediate ancestors.
- 60 Not one.
- 61 Exclamation meaning "Behold."
- 62 Proposition.
- 63 Pronoun.
- 64 Failure to pay.
- 65 Epistles.

Down.

- 1 Discovering.
- 2 Above.
- 3 River flowing into Wash.
- 4 Before.
- 5 Projecting part of a wheel.
- 6 Town in South America.
- 7 Resting on.
- 8 Wealthy.
- 14 Father (childish).
- 15 Swing round.

- 17 The chief of the fallen angels.
- 18 Above.
- 21 Vexed.
- 22 Company (abb).
- 23 To make free.
- 24 Part of verb "to be."
- 25 A votary.
- 26 Imaginary monsters.
- 29 Wet flannel fomentation.
- 31 Finish.
- 33 Ever (Poetical).
- 36 A robber.
- 38 Slept.
- 39 To learn by heart.
- 41 Part of church.
- 42 Woods.
- 45 Sixth note of scale.
- 46 Privy councillor (abb).
- 50 Kind of plant.
- 51 A sign of scholarship.
- 53 Above and touching.
- 54 To put into motion.
- 56 Out of health.
- 57 Negative adverb.
- 58 A friend (slang).
- 59 Consumed.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



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Described as Princess Zoe Golitzine, and a Russian subject (38), of Gloucester Terrace, Bayswater, a well-dressed woman was fined £100 at Westminster Police Court on a charge of attempting to defraud the Customs of duties on certain silk goods at Victoria Station, London.

It was stated that defendant arrived at Victoria by a boat train and claimed two pieces of registered luggage. She said she had some silk articles for her own wear, but was only staying in this country a fortnight, and everything would then be taken back to France with her. A trunk was examined, and was found to contain a number of silk handbags and dresses. Questioned with regard to these, she said they were presents from friends in this country.

Other clothing she said would be taken back again to France, but when asked if she would make a declaration to that effect, she made no reply. The officer not being satisfied, the baggage was taken over to the Customs Office for further examination, but before that could be done, defendant said, "I will tell the truth. I had

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But for the fact that the water was cold enough to bring him quickly to his senses a Chinese, apparently a coolie or houseboy, about 25 years of age, might have lost his life yesterday at about 12.25 p.m. when he suddenly jumped overboard from the Morning Star ferryboat on its trip across to Kowloon. An alarm of "man overboard" was raised, but the Chinese was seen to be swimming toward a sampan which picked him up. The ferry backed up and took him aboard again and he was carried over to his destination a little worse for his emersion in the harbour.

a business in France, and some of things I brought over to sell if possible. Some of them are for sale on commission from a firm in Paris."

Mr. Whiteway said defendant now realised she had been very foolish. She belonged to the Russian aristocracy, but was now a refugee, and found it difficult to obtain a livelihood. Her business in Paris had failed, and he could only appeal for leniency.

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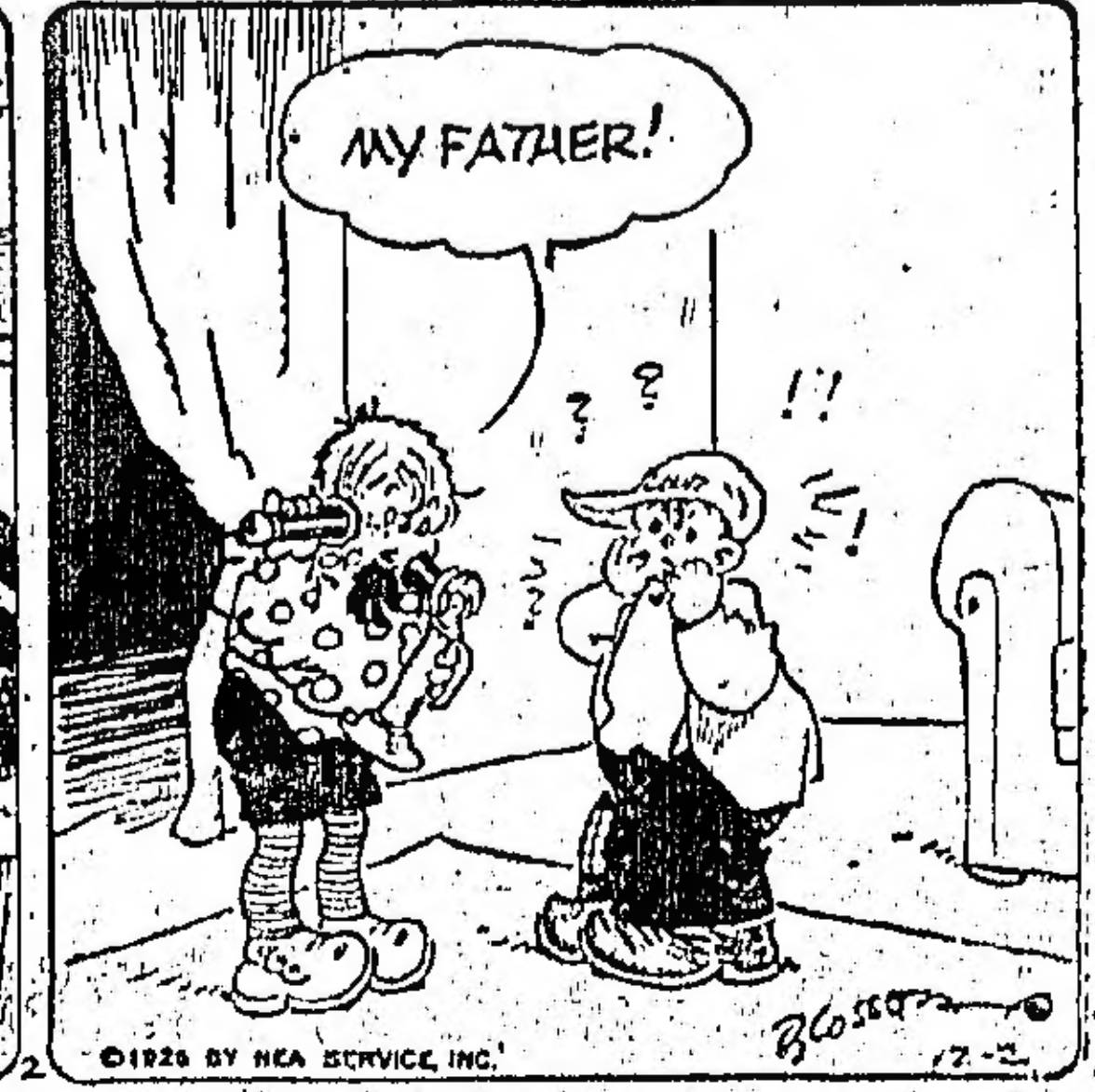
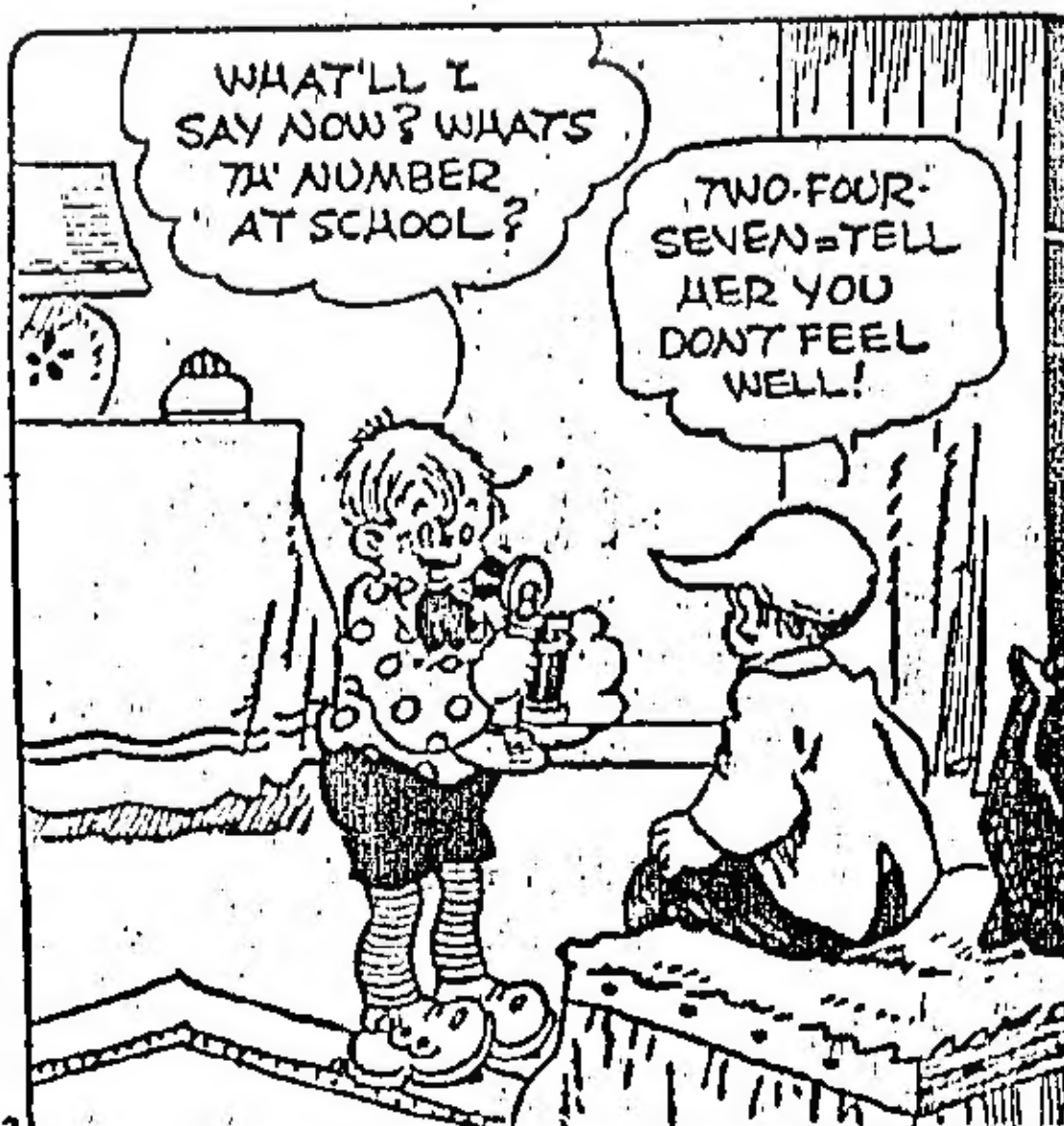
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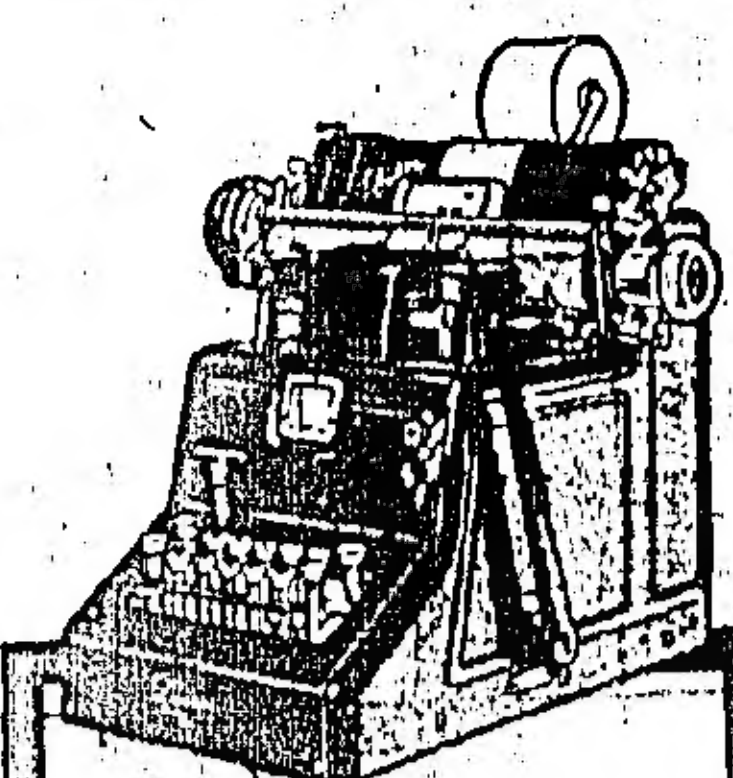
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a loyal and faithful disciple of Sun Yat-sen than those with whom he has broken and we think it would be wrong to expect him to be otherwise. He has purged the territory under him of what he thinks is the cancer and is doubtless hoping that something will happen up at Hankow whereby the Communist element there will also be eliminated. Of course, the North remains where it did, fighting against the inroads of the South, and, apparently, with a fair measure of success at the moment. Peking must be looking on with a lot of secret satisfaction at the Southern split—a split behind which there is a very genuine hate between certain of the leading personalities. It is said that Marshal Chiang and Mr. Borodin are the central enemies.

But what of the general position of China vis-a-vis the Powers? Against whom are sanctions to be taken for non-satisfaction over the Nanking affair? Will Marshal Chiang consider himself outside the scope of any diplomacy which may be achieved in Hankow, and how can Mr. Eugene Chen and the Hankow party now claim to speak in the name of "Nationalist" China when so large a part of the country is out of their hands? They have, temporarily at least, even lost Canton, their *alma mater*. And so, it would be possible to go on asking urgent and vital questions arising out of the Nationalist split—questions which must be seriously exercising the minds of the Powers and all others who hope for a speedy restoration of peace and good order in China. For the moment at any rate, they must be left in question form until the latest orientation of forces and personalities settles into definite shape.

Mr. MacDonald and Labour.

There is more than general interest in the report that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has been named as treasurer for the International Labour Party. This decision was upheld by a majority of nearly three to one at the I. L. P. conference at Leicester. It indicates clearly his loss of popularity in a section of politics where he was once upon a time the idol, of whom great things were expected. It revives the old question as to Mr. MacDonald's *bona fides* so far as Labour interests are concerned. When he was appointed Premier in the experimental Labour Government, he showed a good deal of ability, and gained the approbation even of those who did not agree with him politically. This was due chiefly to his moderation, and admitted hostility to extremism of all kinds. Inevitably, perhaps, it led to accusations that he was not genuinely a Labour man at heart, and instances of his alleged leanings towards the upper classes were brought forth. Unfortunately, the Liberal and Conservative press to a certain extent played up to this belief. The most damaging blow to Mr. MacDonald's waning popularity with his following was the revelation of an arrangement whereby he was given the use of a car by a well-known capitalist. Since his brief Premiership, this Labour leader has shown constant solicitude for his party's interests, but always as an opponent of Communism. His reputation as a Labourer heart and soul has never recovered from the undermining influences that have been at work. Nevertheless, it is doubtful whether he need care. Moderate Labour is likely to prevail in the long run, and with the rank and file of the less extreme element Mr. MacDonald will always hold his premier position. In any case, a party which makes use of acknowledged aristocrats and capitalists to advance its cause in Parliament, has little reason to complain of a man because he kept his head and had the strength of mind to say nay to the call of the extremists. Britain has still plenty of use for men such as he.

A message from Harbin, dated April 10th says that Comrade Lagran, the Soviet Consul-General, is now conferring with other members of the staff of the Consulate on questions relating to China. It is expected that the Russian employees of the Chinese Eastern Railway will go on a general strike in the event of a diplomatic relations between Russia and China being severed. The situation is tense, and Russians residing in Harbin are making preparations for evacuation.

DAY BY DAY.

A FOOL ALWAYS FINDS ONE STILL MORE FOOLISH TO ADMIRE HIM.—*Boileau.*

The P. and O. steamer Kashgar, from Hongkong, arrived at London on April 16, at 5 p.m.

As from yesterday members of the Hongkong Police will be dressed in summer uniform during daylight hours.

Among those returning to the Colony yesterday from Manila by the s.s. President Taft were Mr. George Hoag and Mr. M. M. Maas.

The weather forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow is: N.E. winds, moderate; overcast, with drizzle or mist at first, finer later.

During the five days covered by the Easter holidays, there were four Chinese cases of typhoid fever reported. Otherwise, there was a clean bill of health.

Sir Hugh Clifford, G.O.M.G., G.B.E., will arrive in Singapore on the morning of the 24th June. After being sworn in, Sir Hugh Clifford will take the salute at His Majesty the King's Birthday parade.

Motor cycle, No. 877 ridden by A. Hamid, knocked down a Chinese boy in Queen's Road East yesterday. The boy, who was injured in his head and leg, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

It is now announced that the Chinese Post Office in Shanghai has resumed the parcels and heavy printed matter service. It is still impossible to resume the service to ports on the Yangtze.

There will be a public Lecture at the Helena May Institute, on Monday, 25th April, at 5.30 p.m. Rev. W. T. Featherstone will speak on "Some social and industrial changes in 19th and 20th Centuries."

The band of the 1st. Cameronians will, by kind permission of Lieut-Col. E. B. Ferrers, D.S.O., and officers, play at the Star Theatre to-night, and with a complete change of programme, to-morrow. The big film features Viola Dana in "Her Fatal Millions."

Over the holiday period there were 82 arrivals and 79 departures, the British contribution being 34 and 28 respectively. This morning's returns gave 18 arrivals and 10 departures, of which six and three respectively were British, leaving 78 vessels in harbour of which 33 were British.

For plucking flowers in the Botanical Gardens yesterday, three Chinese were fined \$25 each or one month's hard labour. Mr. H. Green, of the Botanical and Forestry Department, informed his Workshop that recently there have been quite a good few instances of Chinese plucking flowers.

Gen. Pei Chung-hsi, the Commissioner of Defence in Shanghai, has issued instructions to his subordinates to hold memorial services for the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen every Monday at the Lunghua Yamen. The ceremonies will consist of the reading of the will of the deceased leader and bowing to his photograph.

TRIED TO DEFRAUD.

CHINESE WOMAN'S TRICK.

A Chinese woman was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. R. E. Lindell, this morning, for trying to pass off a hair pin as gold in a pawnshop in Shaikwan, when the article offered was in fact white lead with a thin gold coating. She was also charged with the possession of another similar pin with intent to defraud. Evidence was given by Sergeant Meadows to the effect that one of the pawnshops in Shaikwan was actually victimised by a similar article some days ago. On that occasion \$7 was advanced against the pin.

The defendant was arrested when she tried to pawn another pin in a different shop. It appears that the shop was willing to advance \$5 on the pin but the defendant's anxiety to obtain the money led the pawnshop attendant to test the pin which was found to be made of white lead.

The woman's story was that the pins were given to her by another woman who owed her money. Not being familiar with the ways of a pawnshop she received some instructions as to how she should pawn the pins. She was to call at different shops and to accept anything between \$5 and \$7 for each pin.

His Worship, asked if that friend could be produced but was informed that she had just gone to Canton. He passed sentence as stated above.

VALEDICTORY.

COLONY BIDS MR. BIRD FAREWELL.

One of the Colony's oldest and most prominent residents, and one who has served its interests well, leaves to-morrow on the Empress of Russia on retirement, and the community generally will lose a valued member. We refer to the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, one of the heads of the well-known firm of Palmer and Turner, architects, and a member for some years of the Legislative Council.

Mr. Bird's family has, indeed, done more for Hongkong than is perhaps realised, for its connexion with the Colony goes back to the early days. In 1857 an uncle of Mr. Bird, who was in the Royal Engineers, arrived here, and later occupied the post of Surveyor General, in 1865, in which year he was joined by another uncle who will no doubt be remembered by some of the older residents. Mr. H. W. Bird came out when that uncle left, and was afterwards joined by his brother, Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., who remains to carry on the family tradition.

It is a bit of old history to recall that Mr. Bird's two uncles were the first to survey the City of Victoria, and the Kowloon Peninsula. They lived together in a mansion on the site of the present railway station.

Of Mr. Bird's work for the Colony the best monuments are the many buildings which he designed. It will be recalled that this was mentioned in the eulogistic references made to the departing citizen and member of Council at the last Council meeting on March 31. Addressing the gathering, H. E. the Governor said in the course of detailing some of the buildings Mr. Bird had been responsible for.

"The monuments of Mr. Bird's activities in Hongkong may be seen as we look around us. He is a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects and during 35 years he has been engaged in building up this Colony. I mention only some of the principal works on which Mr. Bird has been engaged. His record is one of which any man may well be proud and of which we in this Colony are proud."

It may be added that Mr. Bird was also the architect who designed and supervised the erection of the Hongkong section at Wembley.

The concluding portion of His Excellency's remarks found an echo in the hearts of Council members present, and they will be endorsed by all who realise the service Mr. Bird has done to the Colony and the community. Our readers will join us in wishing him the best of everything in his retirement, and many years of enjoyment of his well-earned leisure.

INTER-AMERICAN LAW CONFERENCE.

UNIFYING INTERNATIONAL CODE.

Rio de Janeiro, April 18.

Thirty delegates representing the United States, Central and South American States, are attending the congress of jurists for the codification of American international law, under the presidency of the Foreign Minister Mangabeira.

The items on the agenda include the preparation of a code of international and private civil law, the organisation of a Pan-American Union, the declaration of international legal rights and duties both personal and natural, and of the principle of responsibility of the American Republics with regard to foreigners; also measures for maintenance of peace and the solution of inter-American differences. —*Reuter's American Service.*

GOLD "CHARMS."

SENTENCE FOR UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Two Chinese were charged with unlawful possession of two gold charms (one was described as a solid gold Indian Buddha) before Mr. R. E. Lindell, this morning.

The first man said that he was asked by the second defendant to take the charms to a pawnshop and the second defendant informed him the charms on the bench in Telegraph Bay.

Asked by His Worship why he did not take it to the pawnshop himself the second defendant said that when he picked it up he thought it was brass but his friend insisted that it was gold. He therefore allowed his friend to take it to a pawnshop to find out whether his conviction was correct.

The first man was sentenced to two weeks' hard labour and the second man three weeks.

The Very Idea!

An aged Scotsman was on his death-bed. His parish clergyman urged upon him the necessity of preparing for the future life, and spoke of the near approach of the time when he would have to appear before the "King of Terrors."

"Well, well," replied the old Scot, "an' what for should I be afraid to meet the King of Terrors? Hae I no lived with the queen of them for the last thirty years?"

Suggested verse for bookbinders: If thou art borrowed by a friend

Right welcome shall he be To read, to study, not to lend But to return to me.

The Shanghai House of a well known firm of manufacturing chemists received the following cable from the London Office after the recent fighting:—"Hope you are safe and well." The reply cabled back was—"Johnny Walker!" That's the spirit!

That delightful custom of serenading—which has always been regarded as a particular attribute of the Mexican—happily appears to be experiencing a revival in Mexico, or at least in the National Capital of the Republic.

Now, quite contrary to the very romantic but very unfaithful conception of the Anglo-Saxon, serenading does not take place in a moon-drenched garden, with the lad softly strumming his guitar while the fair one sits on the balcony and listens enraptured. At least it doesn't in Mexico.

For him who would serenade, there are four requisites: first, a "novia" (the girl); second, companions similarly inclined and similarly possessed of "novias"; third, someone who can play the guitar; and fourth, a permit from the Inspector General of Police.

This last requirement, while obviously militating against romanticism is of prime necessity.

A typical permit reads: "This office concedes permission to Senior to sing songs in this precinct from 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. to-day, subject to all police regulations."

A motorist who was summoned at Weststone wrote that he could not attend the court as he was married now.

Woman at Banker: He came for me just like a lion from its cage.

County Court judge at Mansfield: All our pockets become low if we go to law.

Prospective mother-in-law, at Willensden: I offered my son-in-law-to-be the money for the wedding, but he said that it was not convenient just then.

Solicitor at Clerkenwell County Court: My suit is marked with the date on which it was supplied. Registrar Friend: Thank goodness mine is not. I should have a fright.

Here is an unconventional view of religion, as quoted from a prosperous squatter by an Australian correspondent of the *Scotsman*:—"I subscribe to all the churches," he told me once. "After all, one of them's pretty sure to be right, but I never know which, and perhaps the right one'll put in a good word for me some day."

There are some who take the Kingdom of Heaven by storm, but many, I think, succeed on the primitive principle of throwing mud at a wall. Besides, what about the rich man and the eye of the needle?

Four more "howlers." We know that St. Peter was crucified with his head downwards because he mentions it in several of his epistles.

The word sermon comes from the Latin "sermo," too late, and "monio," I warn, being a warning coming too late.

The Mediterranean and the Red Sea are joined by the Suez Canal.

People are vaccinated by being articulated with lint.

A dear old lady made it her business to visit the poor patients in the hospital. On one occasion she approached a much-banded individual who was sitting up in bed, and after a little preliminary talk, she said to him very sympathetically.

"I suppose your wife must miss you a good deal?"

"No, mum," came the prompt reply; "she's got a wonderful aim for a woman."

The principal tenant of No. 17, Square Street, second floor, was this morning fined \$50 or four weeks' hard labour for keeping a gaming house. When police officers raided the place they found men engaged in games of *San King* and *Ma Cheuk*. Six other men were charged in connexion with the raid. Major C. Willson imposed fines of \$3 on each of them—excepting one who satisfied His Worship that he was not gambling.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

WOMEN THREATENED WITH REVOLVER.

The story of how three Chinese gained admittance to a house in Bridges Street in which were three women, and how at the point of the revolver they stole bangles and rings, was told at the Supreme Court this morning, when the Criminal Sessions commenced before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice.

Two Chinese were charged that on March 12, together with another man, unknown, they committed a robbery at 21 Bridges Street, first floor, and stole bangles and rings from two of the women occupants. Mr. H. K. Holmes prosecuted for the Crown. Both prisoners denied the charge.

In outlining the circumstances, Mr. Holmes said the affair occurred about a quarter of an hour after midday. The husband left the house at midday to buy medicine for his wife who was sick, and about ten minutes after he had left the three women who remained in the house heard a knock at the door.

Revolver Threat.

The daughter asked who was there, and a man replied he had been sent to see someone who was sick. The daughter then opened the door, and the first prisoner entered, holding a revolver, with which he first threatened the daughter. He was followed by two other men, who dragged the women into a cubicle and proceeded to rob them of bangles and rings. The sick woman was not wearing any jewellery, and nothing was taken from her. The robbers left after about ten minutes, and a report was made to the police.

Mr. Holmes emphasised that the case for the Crown rested largely on identification.

Dealing with the arrests, Mr. Holmes said the first prisoner was arrested on board the Kinsan from information received. When he was being taken to the Police Station he pulled out three \$10 bills from his pocket and threw them away, but the constable who effected the arrest recovered the notes. He commented that the jury might attach some importance to that or they might not.

The second prisoner was arrested at the Tang Yan Club, 8, Queen's Road Central, second floor. Mr. Holmes commented it was a strange circumstance that at the identification parades, the two prisoners, who were picked out, both came from the same club.

Prisoners' Denials.

When charged at the Police Station both prisoners denied that they took part in the robbery.

Giving evidence, the daughter of the house positively identified the first prisoner, but said she could not recognise the second man.

Another woman identified both men, stating that the second man took bangles from her wrist and a ring from her finger. She also added she recognised no. 2 because of a mark on his upper lip. The mark was examined by the court.

The Chinese constable who arrested no. 1, also gave evidence and asserted the prisoner threw away \$30 on the way to the Police Station which he, (witness), recovered.

The prisoner denied that he threw away any money away. The case is proceeding.

TRIED TO ESCAPE.

WHY HE STOLE MASTER'S GOLD.

A Chinese youth, who was charged with stealing seven pieces of gold odds and ends from his master's shop, told a story of ill-treatment at the hands of his master. He stated that he was an apprentice in the shop and was very harshly treated. He therefore tried to escape but, having no money, he found it very difficult. It occurred to him that if he could steal a few little odds and ends of gold from the shop and pawn them he may be able to raise enough money for a passage back to his native village. He tried it and hence his appearance before the Magistrate.

Major C. Willson imposed a sentence of one month's hard labour.

YUGO-SLAV CABINET

M. VOUKITCHEVITCH AS PREMIER.

Belgrade, April 18. The Cabinet has been reformed with M. Voukitchevitch as Premier and M. Marinkovitch as Minister of Foreign Affairs.—Reuter.

HOSPITAL CLOSED.

TYPICAL STORY FROM HANGCHOW.

OPEN APPROPRIATION.

The following article by Dr. H. Gordon Thompson, the Medical Superintendent, of the C.M.S. Hospital at Hangchow, is taken from the N. C. Daily News:—

It will be recalled that this large institution belonging to the Church Missionary Society was erected almost entirely through the efforts of Dr. D. Duncan Main, who spent 35 years in Hangchow, and who left in November last to enjoy a well earned retirement in Scotland.

At the end of November I arrived to take over from Dr. Main as Medical Superintendent.

The policy which I adopted soon after taking charge, was to have a governing body, half Chinese and half European, so that our Chinese colleagues could have a larger share in the administration of the Hospital and Medical School.

About the beginning of February, the Southern army began to threaten Hangchow and during the following three weeks, acting on Consular advice, the foreigners withdrew as the Southerners approached and the Chinese members of the governing body assumed more and more responsibility.

On Sunday, February 20, three days after the Nationalist army entered Hangchow, I asked the senior Chinese Doctor to act as Medical Superintendent during my absence, and on February 23 proceeded by way of Ningpo to Shanghai reporting to H.B.M. Consul, the arrangements which I had made.

The day after I left delegates from a "Union to take back the Kwang Tsi Hospital" entered the compound, put up notices, and announced their determination to get the Hospital under Chinese control.

Mob Violence Displayed.

The members of our staff stated that this was already the case, for the management of the Hospital had been left in the hands of the Chinese members of the Governing Body. The following morning, February 25, at 9.30 o'clock a mob composed of numerous different unions, such as the Students' Union, anti-Christian Union, Workers' Union, etc., and instigated by the "Union to take back Kwang Tsi Hospital" rushed into the Hospital compound; they were armed with batons and carried banners. They tied up one of the doctors of the Hospital Governing Body, ill-treated one of the other members, and one of the medical students, and after putting a guard at the various exits so that there was no communication with outside, sealed up various rooms and compelled the entire staff to attend a mass meeting in the Hospital Chapel.

At last a communication was conveyed to one of the new officials who sent a delegate to address the meeting. He ordered the men who were fastened up to be liberated, after telling the crowd that while he agreed that the Hospital must be taken over by the Chinese, it should be done through the Government and not by mob violence.

Official Orders Disregarded.

As soon as he had left, the captives, liberated by his order, were again seized and tied up. They were later on released when the mob dispersed, and a guard of police placed at the main entrance gate.

News of what had happened reached me in Shanghai on Wednesday, March 2, and I left at once for Ningpo to see the British Consul. He took the matter up and wrote requesting the Chinese officials to assist by closing and sealing the Hospital, after making an inventory. At the same time I sent sufficient money to the Hospital treasurer to pay off the entire staff, and close down. Later news came through by letters and messengers showing that the Chinese staff were unable to carry out my instructions to close.

On March 16 I decided to visit Hangchow personally. I travelled via Ningpo and arrived at Hangchow on March 20, bearing a letter from the British Consul to the Hangchow Administration Committee of the Southern Government.

I found on arrival that some of the property had been sealed while part of the main Hospital and the branch Hospitals were being kept open, and the men whom we had left in charge were being compelled to carry on.

On March 21 I interviewed the two delegates of the Government appointed to manage the Hospital affairs. I presented my letter and was told that the intention of the Government was to take over the Hospital and administer it. I pointed out that the property and equipment belonged to the Church

ST. ANDREW'S SCOUTS DISPLAY.

ENJOYABLE ITEMS ON EASTER MONDAY.

St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts gave their annual display at the Church Hall last evening. There was a good audience who risked the chance of rain, and they were well repaid, for the Troop gave an excellent display of their scouting work and play.

The first half of the programme was given outside in the gaily illuminated church grounds, and included a very pleasing show by the cubs, who showed various formations and ended by signalling in Morse the cub motto. The Scouts looked very well when they formed their pyramids and were loudly applauded. Twenty-five minutes was the time taken to erect a very substantial observation post, all complete with rope ladder, etc. It towered to a height of about 20 feet, and the ease with which the boys did their work denoted skill which is to be commended.

During the interval a move was made into the Church Hall and the Mannequins paraded before the audience, who were delighted to see such a well-dressed set of beauties. There were Miss Sumner (H. Brown), Miss Winter (T. Ingram), Miss Kowloon (D. Davidson), Miss Hongkong (R. Woolley), and the Cross-word Boy with his bicycle (W. Chan). The fairer sex must be all agog about the new styles shown to such advantage.

Next came a screaming farce which convulsed the audience, for Dr. Cutemup was nothing if not thoroughly in his work on the patient who had his arm, leg, ribs, lungs, heart, intestines, etc., removed with great skill. All were thoroughly restored to health and replaced somehow or other in a way which was most surprising, and the only reason why nobody in the crowd fainted was because they only saw shadows on the screen.

The acting was very good, and the success of this novelty was due to the boys who took their parts so well.—Patient (G. White), Dr. Cutemup (J. Lyon), Attendant (R. Tobin), Assistants (S. MacNider and C. Spradberry), Patient's Friend (F. Wong), Nurses (R. Woolley).

A Camp Fire Scene came next, and it was announced that the scene showing a number of tents pitched in a very pretty meadow was painted by one of the Scouts (D. Davidson), and it was a fine piece of work. The realistic fire and rollicking songs were enjoyed by listeners and singers too, and the fact of Old John Brown having a "Ford" on his farm was made known by a fearful clatter of tins.

The Scoutmaster, Mr. T. E. Jackson, has every reason to be proud of the boys of his Troop.

Missionary Society, and was told that the ownership of the property would be decided later on.

Intimidation.

I requested an answer to the British Consul's letter, and this was promised for March 25. No reply, however, came to hand, and I therefore returned to Shanghai. Up to date no answer has been received.

Since my return I have learned that several of the Chinese staff have been intimidated and obliged to give up their work by various Unions, so that now there is only one of the original staff of Chinese doctors left. A Committee of six doctors left. A Committee of six doctors left. A Committee of six doctors left.

All religious services in the Hospital Chapel have been stopped by order of the body in control. The ten commandments and the creed have been removed from the Chapel, and portrait of Sun Yat-sen placed over the Communion table.

The name of the Hospital has been changed from "The Chinese Church Universal Charity Hospital" to "The Chekiang Provincial Government Direct Control Universal Charity Hospital."

In brief the Hospital together with the Branch Hospitals, residences and Medical School which was established by the Church Missionary Society has been appropriated by the Nationalist Government. The buildings are being utilized, and the equipment much of which has already disappeared, is being handled by inexperienced persons. The valuable stock of drugs is being used up, and all this without any sanction from those who are the trustees of the property.

There is one bright spot in this dark picture, and that is the loyalty of so many of our Chinese staff. While we are now declining to take any further responsibility for running expenses from April 1 until we are again in possession of our property, we have a responsibility to those who, out of loyalty to us and the Master whom we serve, have risked everything and in many cases lost everything trying to do their duty, and we cannot dare not, must not let them down.

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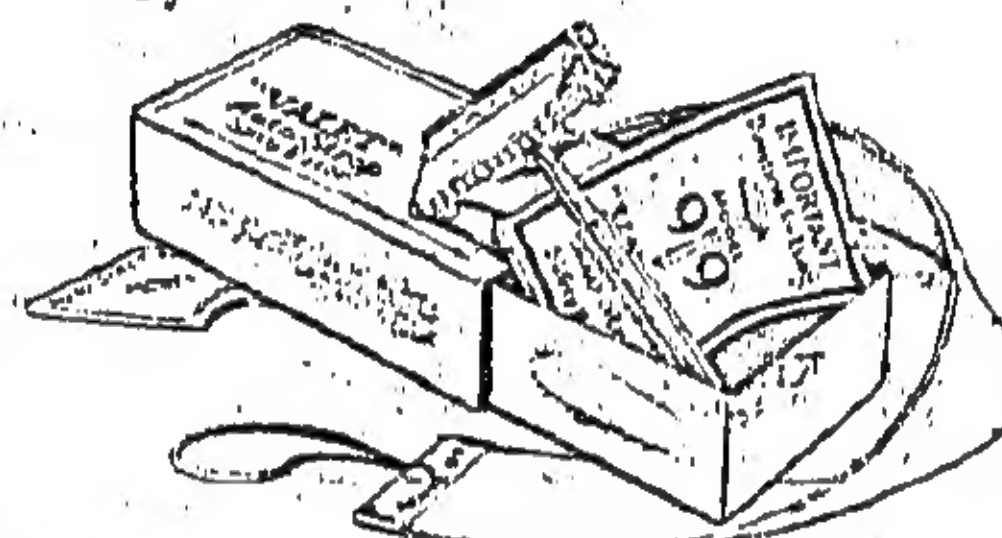
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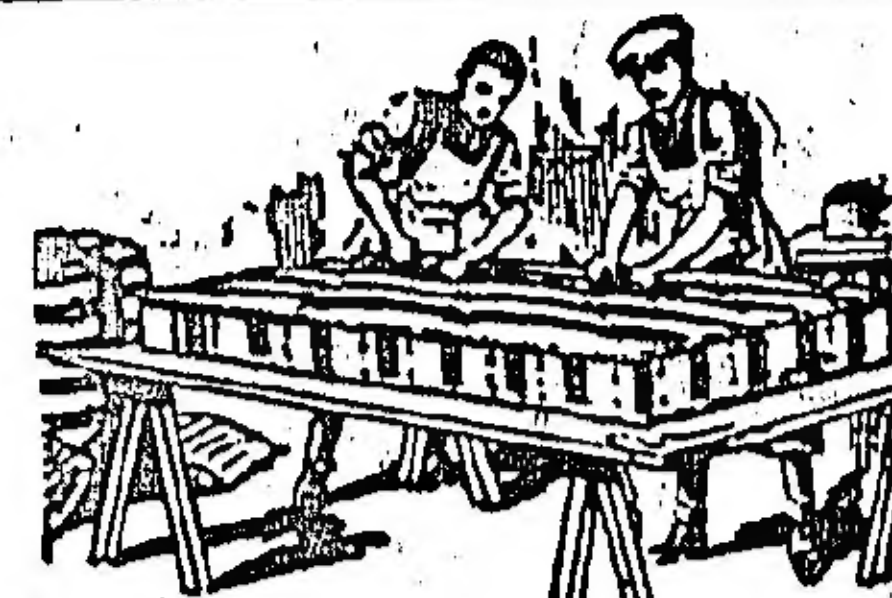
In connexion with the Beethoven Centenary, a recital is being given in the Theatre Royal on Tuesday, April 26th, at 9.15 p.m., by Mr.

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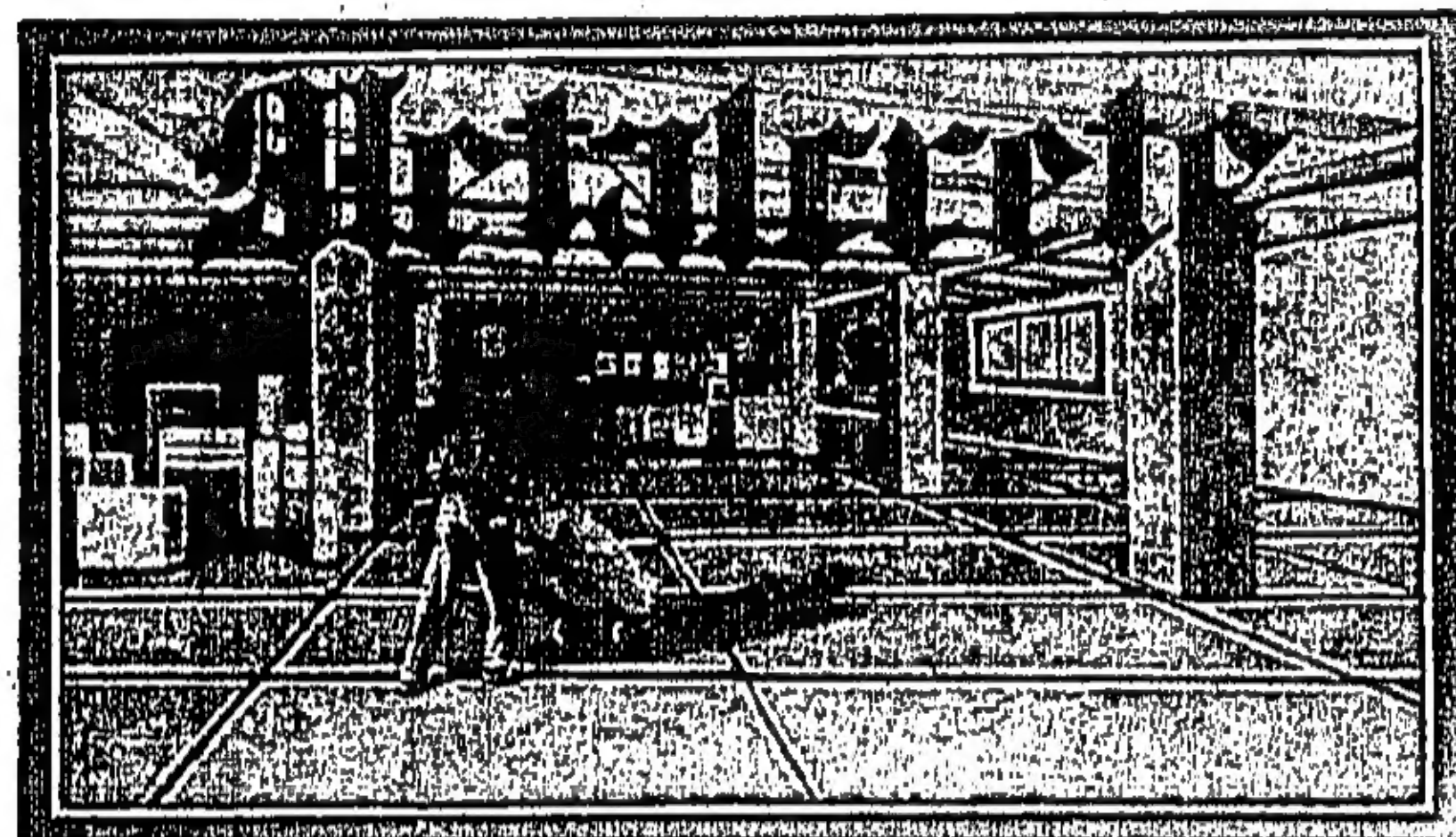
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YESTERDAY'S RACING.

SECOND DAY OF EASTER MEETING.

The Bank Holiday meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club was sparsely attended, but with the weather fair and the course in good condition, some excellent racing was seen. Conditions underfoot were somewhat different from Saturday and the result was that local riders scored at the expense of the visitors. Both Mr. Pollock and Mr. Stanton recorded two winners each and Mr. da Rosa notched one. Mr. Wong, the victorious rider of Saturday could only secure one first. Both local owners and riders came off well, with Mr. Dyer securing two firsts, which on the whole were good, but the pari-mutuel was not so well supported, owing to the scant attendance. The band of the 2nd Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers was again in attendance and rendered a greatly appreciated programme of music. The results were:

Race I.

Junk Bay Plate: Half Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$100. 2nd Prize: \$50. 3rd Prize: \$25. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Goblin (Mr. Pollock) 1 Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. da Rosa) 2 Mr. K.H.'s Muen Beauty (Mr. Chun) 3 Also ran: Home Call (Mr. Sewell), Grey Morn (Mr. Reidy), Battle Eye (Mr. Stanton), Loongwa (Mr. Wong), Cui (Mr. Kelly), Grande del Norte (Mr. Seth). A Head, 1 1/4 Lengths—Time 1.01. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$14.10; Places, \$6.70; \$12.10; \$8.80.

Race II.

Mrs. Bay Handicap: "C" Class: One Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch (Mr. Reidy) 1 Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Grig (Mr. Sewell) 2 Mr. Eve's Bright Eve (Mr. Chun) 3 Also ran: King of Troy (Mr. Bullock), Grey Knight (Mr. Pollock), Barley Grass (Mr. da Rosa), Spectre (Mr. Stanton). A Neck, 1/2 Length—Time: 2.11 2/5. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$30.00; Place, \$13.40; \$20.80; \$15.30.

Race III.

Mrs. Bay Handicap: "B" Class: One Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Tangle (Mr. Reidy) 1 Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Grig (Mr. Sewell) 2 Mr. Eve's Bright Eve (Mr. Chun) 3 Also ran: King of Troy (Mr. Bullock), Grey Knight (Mr. Pollock), Barley Grass (Mr. da Rosa), Spectre (Mr. Stanton). A Neck, 1/2 Length—Time: 2.11 2/5. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$30.00; Place, \$13.40; \$20.80; \$15.30.

Race IV.

Easter Plate: One and a Half Miles—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$500; 2nd Prize: \$200; 3rd Prize: \$100. Mr. Yum Man's Flash Star (Mr. Wong) 1 Mr. B. M. Austin's Brigade Call (Mr. Pollock) 2 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Ukelele (Mr. Bullock) 3 Also ran: Misty Eye (Mr. Stanton); The Goxer (Mr. Sewell); Laceda II (Mr. Chun). A Length, 3 Lengths—Time: 3.26. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$30.00; Places, \$6.50; \$5.70; \$5.60.

Race V.

Beef Stakes: Half Mile—Catchweights 168 lbs. Entrance Fee \$3. Post-Entries. 1st Prize: \$200. 2nd Prize: \$100. 3rd Prize: \$50. Regent (Mr. W. Stanton) 1 Dragon Boat (Mr. Bousfield) 2 District Call (Mr. Seth) 3 Also ran: Bill Brewer (Mr. Shelington); Stripes (Mr. Mattingley); Blotting Paper (Dr. McGown); Pessimist (Mr. Kelly). 3 Lengths—4 Lengths. Time: 1.03. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$14.30; Places, \$6.30; \$7.20; \$5.50.

Race VI.

Stirling Stakes: Six Furlongs—For China Ponies, Griflins of this Season. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100. Messrs. Abraham and Tester's Bing Boy (Mr. W. T. Stanton) 1 Messrs. Comyn and Bell's Borderer (Mr. Wong) 2 Mr. Eve's Festive Eve (Mr. Chun) 3 Also ran: Fire Call (Mr. da Rosa); Furzehead (Mr. Sewell); Sugar Loaf (Mr. Wallace). 4 Lengths—2 Lengths. Time: 1.35. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$10.30; Places, \$5.10; \$5.20; \$5.50.

Race VII.

Toto Selling Plate: One Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100. Mr. Dynasty's King Alan (Mr. Wallace) 1 Mr. K.H.'s Easter Day (Mr. Wong) 2 Mr. W. T. Stanton's Sandpiper (Mr. Stanton) 3 Also ran: Marble Hall (Mr. da Rosa); Valour (Mr. Chun). 2 1/2 Lengths—Many lengths. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$32.00; Places, \$13.00; \$7.40.

Race VIII.

Helle Plate: One Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mrs. R. M. Austin's Pottenbush (Mr. Pollock) 1 Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Tummel (Mr. Reidy) 2 Dead Heat Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Koh Tong Hall (Mr. da Rosa) 3 Dead Heat Also ran: Baghara (Mr. Wong). 2 Lengths, Dead Heat. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$11.00; Places, \$7.10; Dead Heat, \$11.20; \$6.90.

Race IX.

Mrs. Bay Handicap: "A" Class: One Mile—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize: \$100. Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains (Mr. da Rosa) 1 Mr. K.H.'s Baccarat (Mr. Wong) 2 Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gomori (Mr. Pollock) 3 Also ran: Attaboy (Mr. Seth); Total Abstinence (Mr. Reidy); Battle Eve (Mr. Stanton); August (Mr. Bullock); Espoir (Mr. Sewell). 2 Lengths, 3 Lengths. Time: 2.08 3/4. Pari-mutuel: Winner, \$117.30; Places, \$10.20; \$5.50; \$9.20.

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RIFLE COMPETITION.

ANNUAL H.K.V.D. CORPS CONTEST CLOSES.

Some fine shooting was seen at Stonecutters' Rifle Range yesterday, when the annual rifle meeting of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps was concluded. Unlike the conditions ruling on the previous day there was an absence of rain, the light remaining good, and the wind being negligible.

Pte. Maskell was notably in form. He obtained a full possible at 700 yards in the Blake Shield competition, and only lost two points in the Francis Cup. Incidentally both these competitions were won by No. 5 platoon, which includes Pte. Maskell.

In the revolver competition Petty Officer Wells and Petty Officer Fleet tied in the open event, with scores of 29, the maximum possible being 30. These two will again compete for a decision at a later date.

Yesterday's results were as follows:

Musketry Competition.

Individual competition. Possible obtainable 70.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	500 yds.	Total
1. Capt. Logan	19	19	30	68
2. Pte. McLennan	19	18	30	67
3. Corporal Young	16	19	30	65
4. Lt. Mitchell	19	18	28	65
5. B.S.M. Summers	19	10	27	65

Blake Shield.

A challenge shield presented by the late Sir Henry Blake, K.C.M.G. An inter-unit competition open to all

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1. No. 5 Platoon, with a total of 294 points. The team and individual scores were—Pte. Maskell, 84; Pte. McLennan, 84; Corporal Young, 71; Pte. Niabet, 55.

(In connexion with this competition Pte. Maskell wins a special prize). 2. No. 2 Platoon, with a total of 293 points. The team and individual scores were—Lieut. Mitchell, 76; Sergt. Branson, 74; Pte. Fife, 74; Pte. Warren, 69.

Francis Cup.

A challenge cup presented by the late Mr. J. J. Francis, Q. C., and under same conditions as the Blake Shield competition.

1. No. 5 Platoon, with a total of 252 points. The team and individual scores were—Pte. Maskell, 68; Pte. McLennan, 64; Capt. Logan, 60; Corporal Young, 60.

2. No. 2 Platoon, with a total of 225 points. The team and individual scores were—Sergt. Branson, 60; Pte. Fife, 60; Pte. Jox, 57; Lt. Mitchell, 48.

Lewis Gun Competition.

1. No. 2 Platoon, with 66 points. Team comprised 2nd Lt. Jarvis, Corporal Bowker and Pte. Collis. 2. No. 5 Platoon, with 61 points. Team comprised—Corporal Young, Pte. McLennan and Pte. Maskell.

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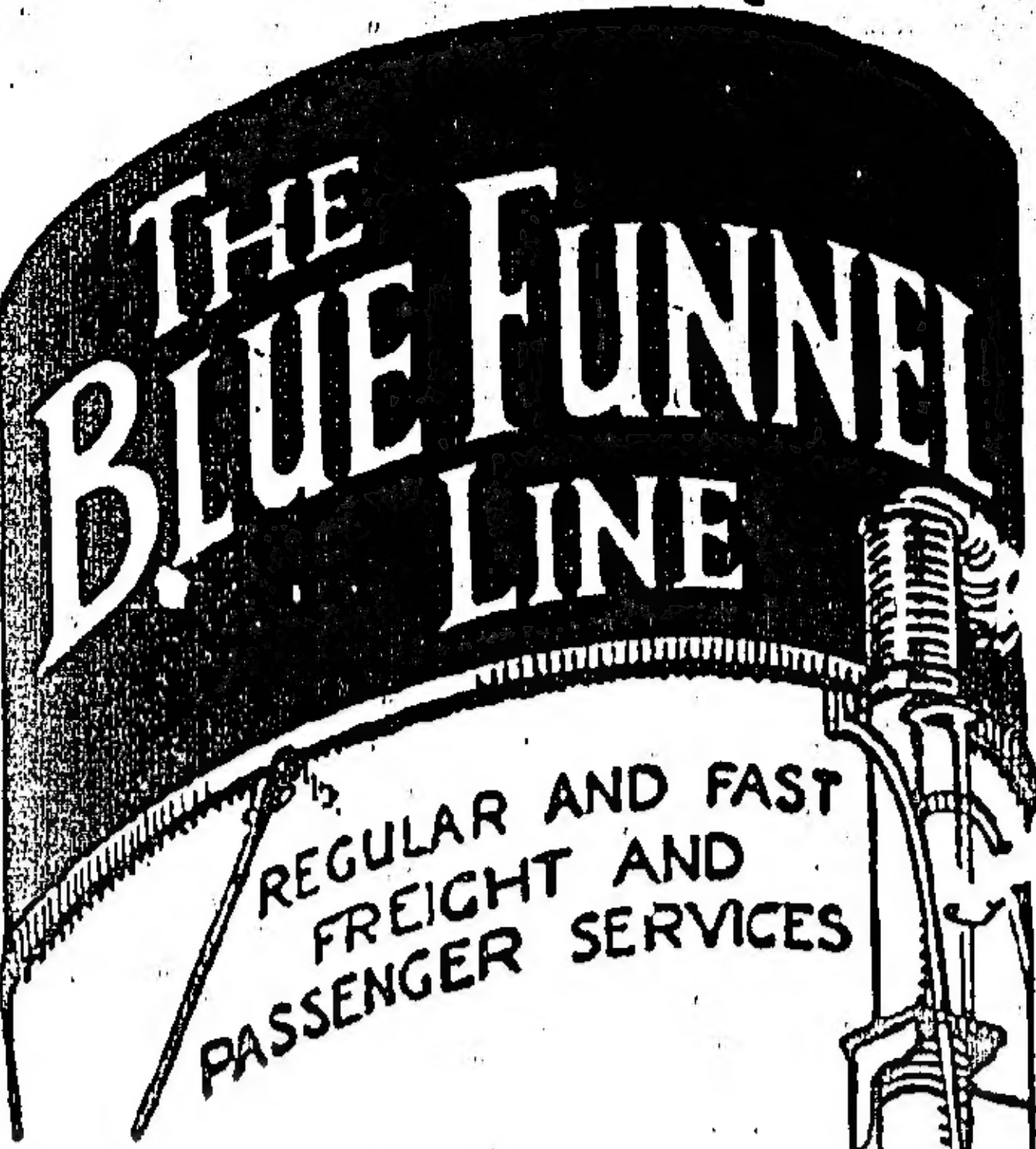
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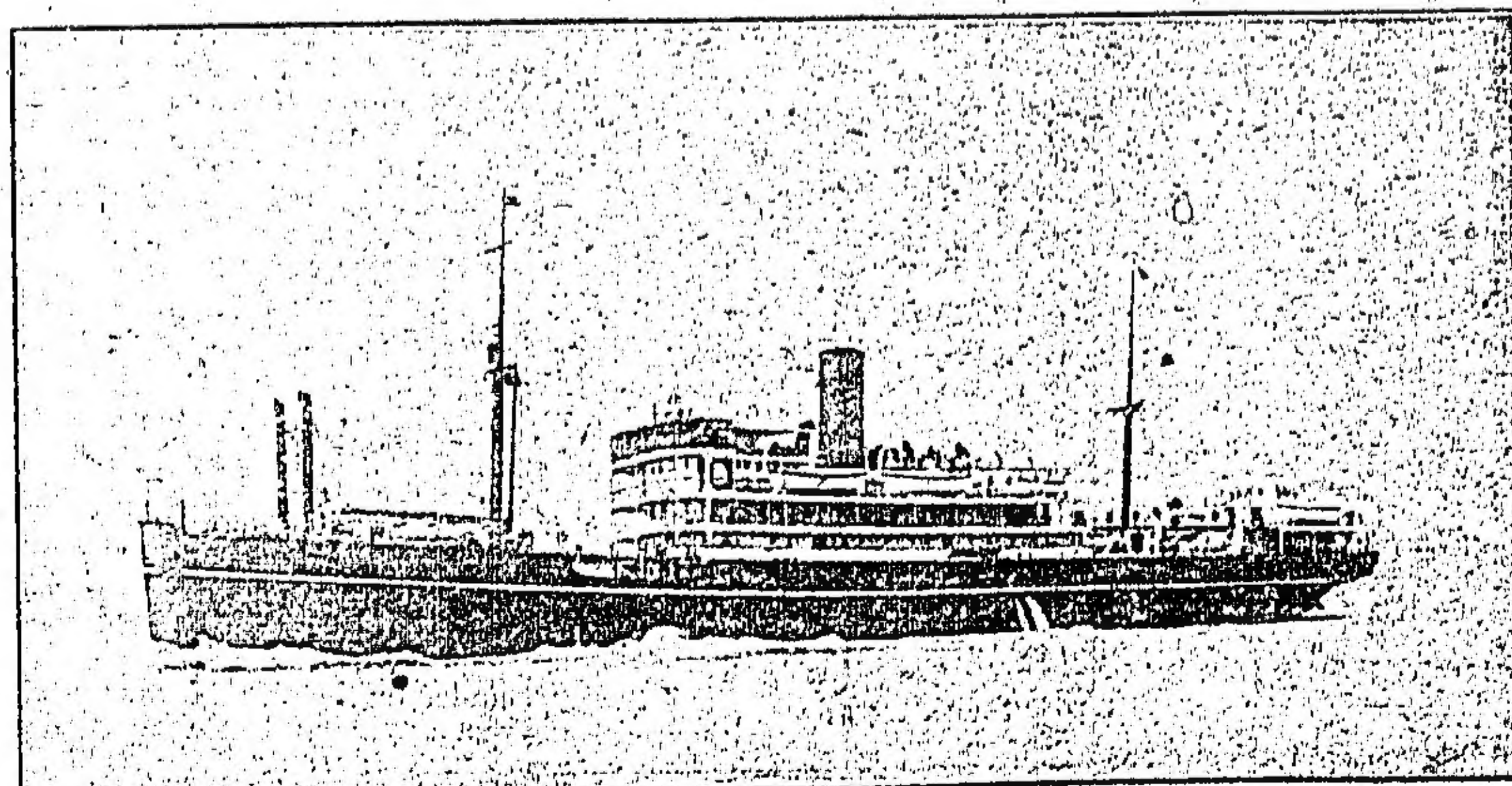
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draper in the land made a round shilling of every 11½d. in his shop.

As a matter of fact, has it not been for long a modest jest that the draper writes of farthings, but never uses them, and prefers to give a row or two of pins as change? If that is so the recommendation from the Chamber of Trade that the marking of prices in farthings should be abandoned is a matter which concerns nobody except the drapers and their customers. Bakers dealing with the two-pound loaf in poor neighbourhoods have a very real use for the farthing, and it is not obsolete in other small retail transactions.

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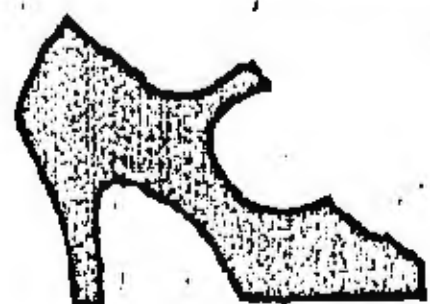
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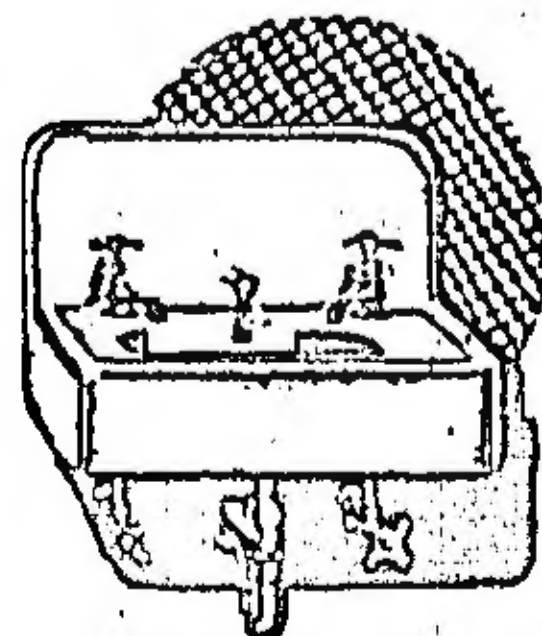
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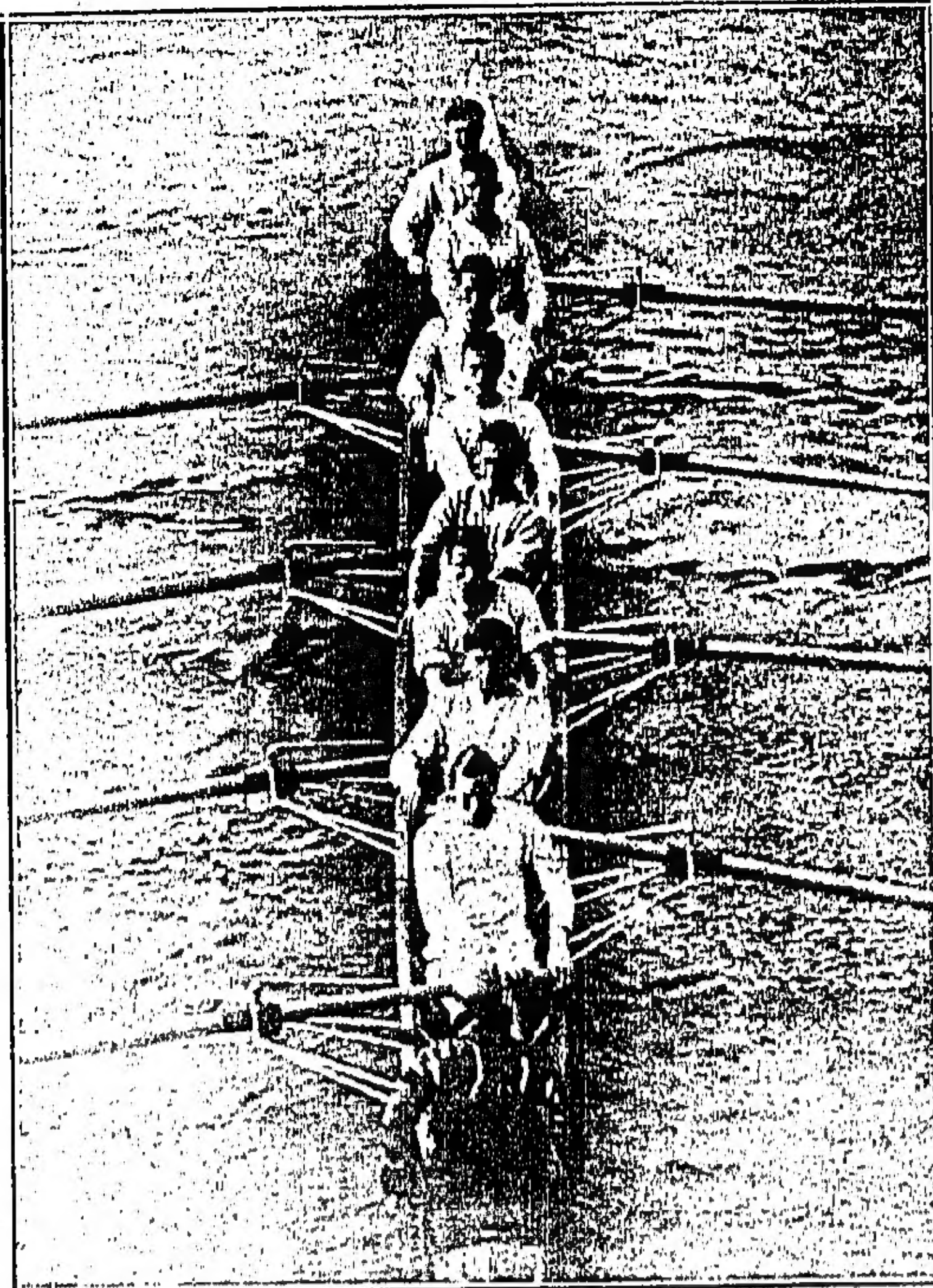


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STERNER NOTE BY
POWERS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

It has now been decided to evacuate the entire commercial community to Shanghai.—*Naval Wireless.*

SWATOW EXECUTIONS.

Anti-Red Raids Continue.

Swatow, April 18. Martial law still prevails in the town and surrounding districts, and arrests are still being made, writes a *Telegraph* correspondent. The four principal "Red" leaders, however, appear to have escaped, or at least have not yet been discovered. Up to date, ten have been executed, but their names have not yet been divulged, and although the executions were public the victims all had their heads covered.

Communication with steamers in the stream, and with Kakehoh on the other side of the harbour, is impossible for Chinese, and extremely difficult for foreigners. On Saturday, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's motor gig was fired on, but fortunately nobody was hit.

While the military authorities appear to be able to handle the situation in Swatow itself, they do not seem to have matters so well in hand in the outlying districts, where the Farmers' and Peasants' Union have a considerable number of armed forces at their disposal.

Peasantry Resist.

These forces are resisting the present anti-Red activities, and it is doubtful if there are sufficient soldiers in the district to control them. On Saturday night the "Reds" cut the railway line between here and Chowchao, and, more disturbing still, cut the water supply line between here and Am Po, about six miles away, where the reservoirs are situated. The damage to the latter was repaired last night, and I understand the water supply is now well guarded.

Troops have been despatched to Chaoyang, where the Farmers and Peasants Union are defying all authority and, being very well armed, are at present controlling the town.

Business At Standstill.

All business is of course at a standstill, and with the exception of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's vessels no steamers are able to work cargo.

Messrs. B. and S. were fortunately able to take their steamers alongside pontoons, and obtained permission to work there. No boats, however, are allowed to leave the shore, and it is impossible to obtain permission for them to do so.

BLIGHT OF EXTREMISM.

Sir F. Aglen's Views.

London, April 18. Sir Francis Aglen, for many years Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs, has arrived in London.

In a statement to the *Times* he declared that what was now called Nationalism was largely the

old anti-foreignism which was expressed in its extreme form in the Boxer rising, and which had been exploited by the Russian Bolsheviks for their own purposes. Many of the more far-seeing Chinese, however, had realised for some time past that the Bolsheviks' efforts might lead to the ruin of the country. The military leaders of the Kuomintang now perceived that the agitation of the extremist labour unions had completely undermined discipline.

Sir Francis continued, "It will be created again if an examination of Bolshevik influence is brought about by the Chinese themselves. It might then be possible to prevent those acts of violence which are instigated by the extremists, and which make it necessary for foreign Powers to take exceptional measures to protect their nationals. With the removal of the extremist from power, the way would be clear for re-establishment of normal and friendly relations between foreigners and all sections of the Chinese people."—*British Wireless.*

THE SOUTHERN SPLIT.

Widening of the Breach.

London, April 18. Reports from various Chinese centres indicate a widening of the breach between Chiang Kai-shek and the extremists.

At Hangchow, Ningpo, and Wusieh, as well as in Shanghai, anti-Communist raids have taken place, while at Changsha the extremists have dealt drastically with the more moderate Chinese elements.

At Canton, the walls are plastered with "Down with the Communists," and at Hankow with "Down with Chiang Kai-shek."—*British Wireless.*

I.L.P. INTERFERENCE.

To Impede British Policy.

London, April 18. The conference of the International Labour Party at Leicester has passed a resolution protesting against the British military measures in China, and calling for the withdrawal of the armed forces, also an impartial enquiry into the occurrences at Nanking, besides protesting against the sending of Indian troops to China "against the wishes of the Indian people," and pledging that the conference will refuse all war services, including the manufacture and transport of munitions in the event of war.

Mr. Shinwell described the last-named proposal as beating the air, and asked that the engineers, dockers and railwaymen do what the trades unionists are at present not prepared to do.—*Reuter.*

MURDERED MISSIONARY.

Canadian Government's Query.

Ottawa, April 19. The Government has cabled the British Foreign Office asking for information as to the murder of a Canadian missionary and his daughter in China.

It is understood the Foreign Office will be requested to demand the arrest of the malefactors.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Entertainments.

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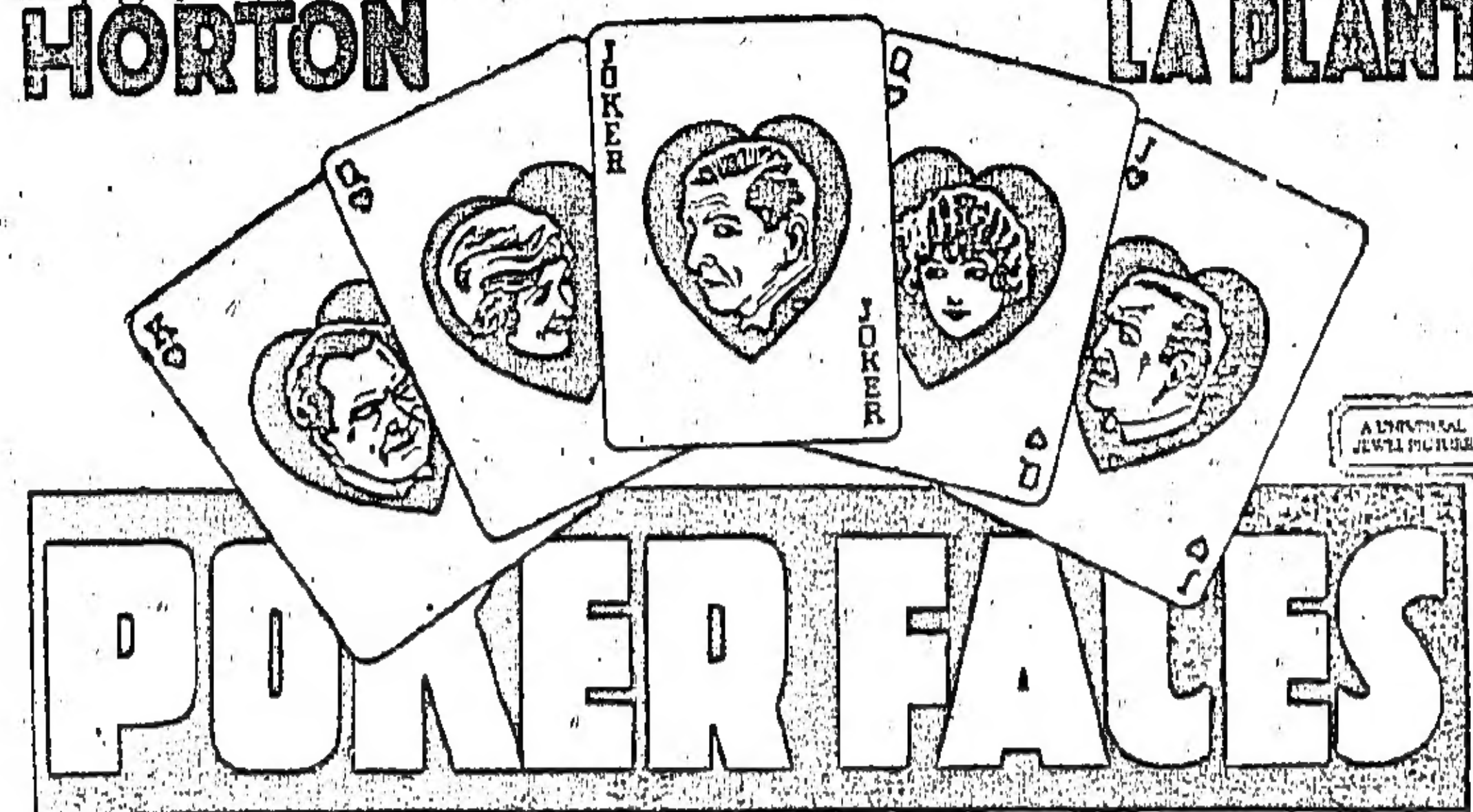
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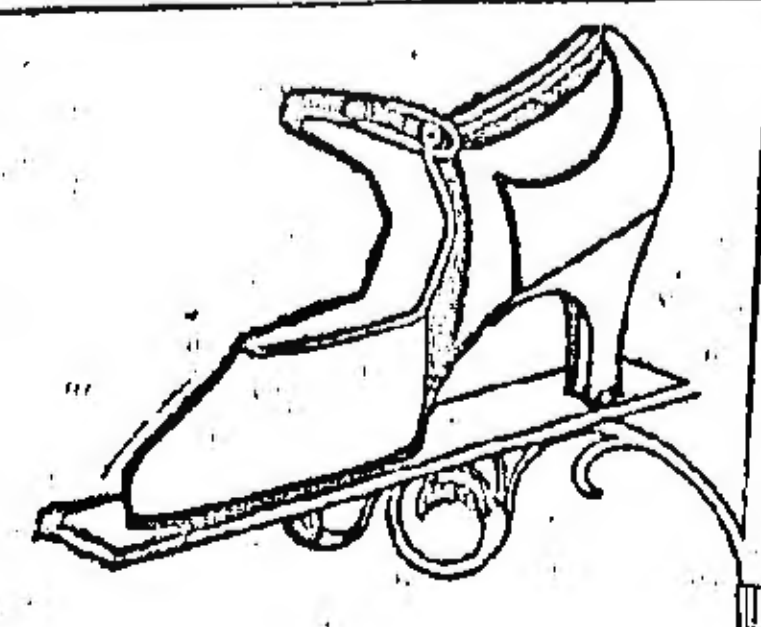
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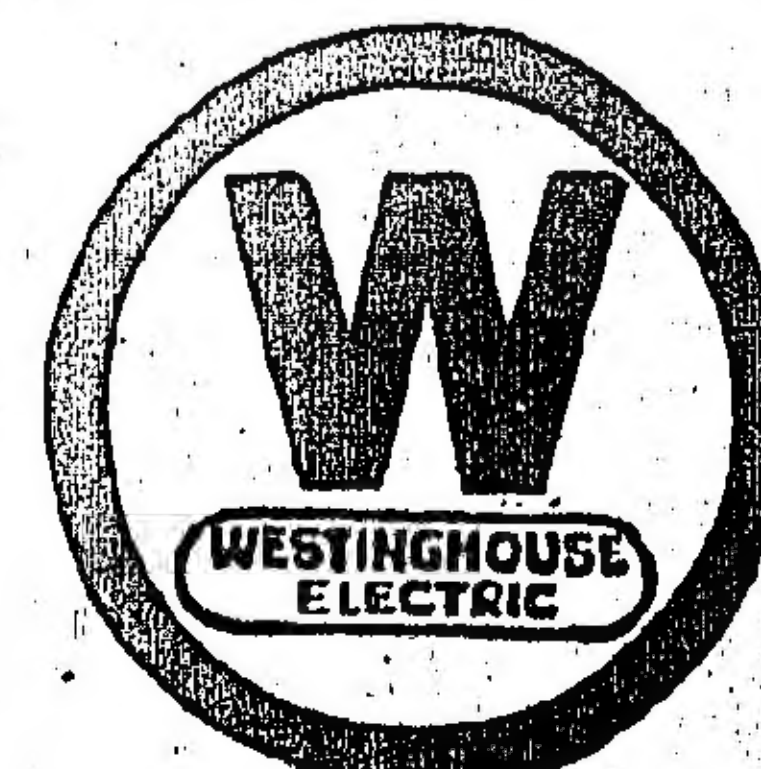
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